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HEY, APE! USE TWO HANDS, WILL YA! WE'LL ALL GET KILLED IF YOU LET GO!

AND WHAT DO YOU THINK WILL HAPPEN IF THOSE COPS GET A BEAD ON US?

YOU'RE TRAPPED, APE! GIVE UP, OR WE'LL HAVE TO SHOOT YOU ALL!

MORE COPS! WE'RE LIKE SITTING DUCKS UP HERE! WHAT'LL WE DO, APE? WHAT'LL WE DO?

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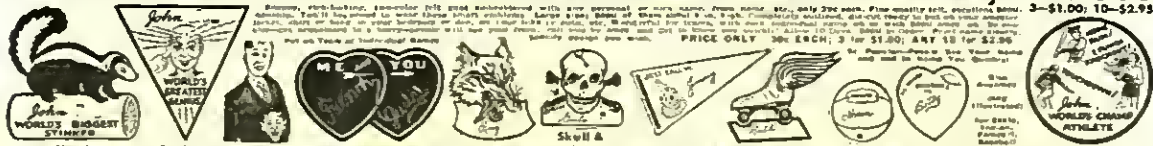
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POLICE TEAMWORK AND 3 BLIND RATS!



SEE HOW THEY RAN—
ONE RAN INTO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR!
A NOOSE OF ROPE DID ANOTHER FARE!
A CHAMBER OF GAS WAS THE THIRD'S LAST CARE!

IN MY STATE THEY HANG MURDERERS! YOU DIE BY INCHES! BETTER ANYTHING THAN HANGING!

WHAT ABOUT THE HOT SEAT? THOUSANDS OF VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY GO SHOOTING THROUGH YOUR BODY! YOU BURN UP! WHAT'S WORSE?

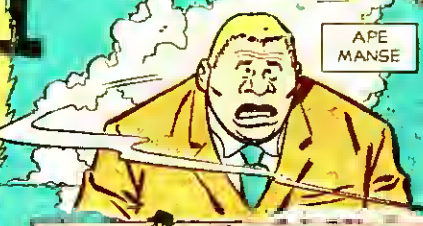
GAS IS WORSE! IN MY STATE THEY STRAP YA IN A CHAIR, AN' YA CAN'T DO NOTHIN', BUT LOOK AT TH' GAS CREEP TOWARD YA!



JIM TRELIS



FRANK DULTY



APE MANSE

APE, WE'RE TRAPPED! THEY'LL GET US! I'LL HANG!

ONE STORMY NIGHT IN NOVEMBER, 1940, FRANK DULTY, JIM TRELIS AND APE MANSE CAME TO THE REALIZATION THAT NO FORM OF EXECUTION IS A PLEASURE! WITH NOTHING TO LOSE BUT LIVES WHICH WERE ALREADY FORFEITED, THIS VICIOUS TRIO WAS WILLING TO ATTEMPT ANYTHING TO CHEAT THE EXECUTIONER! BUT HOW COULD THEY FORESEE THEY WERE ONLY LEAPING FROM THE FRYING PAN INTO THE FIRE?



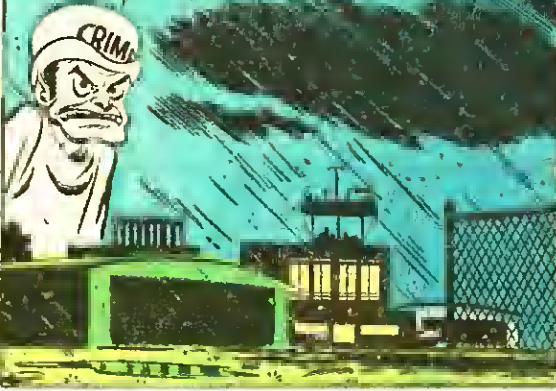
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SHUT UP, TRELIS, AN' GIMME A HAND WITH THIS ROPE! WE GOTTA STAY UP HERE TILL I THINK OF A WAY OUT!

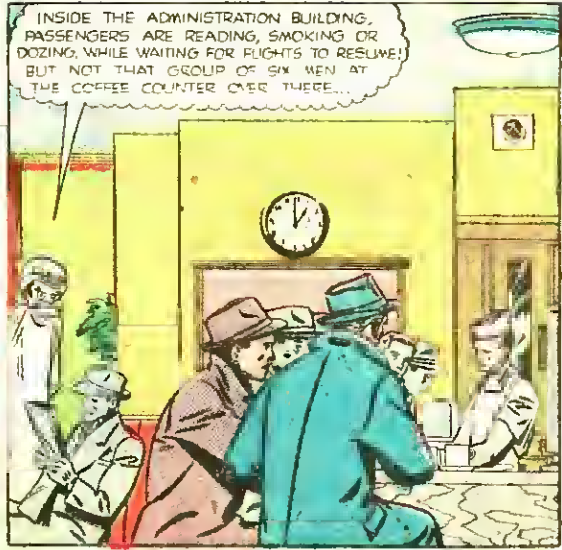
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LET ME BEGIN BY SKETCHING THE SITUATION THAT MEMORABLE MORNING IN NOVEMBER, 1940! THIS IS KEATING MUNICIPAL AIRPORT! ALL FLIGHTS ARE CANCELLED AND ALL PLANES SHELTERED IN THEIR HANGARS TILL THE STORM LETS UP...



INSIDE THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, PASSENGERS ARE READING, SMOKING OR DOZING, WHILE WAITING FOR FLIGHTS TO RESUME! BUT NOT THAT GROUP OF SIX MEN AT THE COFFEE COUNTER OVER THERE...



THESE MEN ARE DETECTIVES FROM THREE DIFFERENT STATES IN THREE DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTRY! WHAT ARE THEY DOING AT KEATING AIRPORT THIS TIME OF NIGHT? WELL...

I JUST TALKED TO WARDEN LEAHY, CY! HE SAYS HIS AGENTS ARE LEAVING WITH THE PRISONERS IN ABOUT FIVE MINUTES!

THAT MEANS THEY OUGHT TO GET HERE SOME-TIME BETWEEN 3:30 AND 4 A.M.!



YOU SEE, WHEN A KILLER LEFES A STATE, ITS A LITTLE TOUGH FOR THE STATE AUTHORITIES TO TRACK HIM DOWN! GENERALLY, LOCAL OR STATE AUTHORITIES HAVEN'T THE RESOURCES OR MONEY TO SET UP A NATION-WIDE HUNT!



SO THE STATES APPEAL TO THE FEDERAL AUTHORITIES TO TAKE UP THE SEARCH! THEN THE F.B.I. GOES TO WORK AND NAILS THE RAT! FOR INSTANCE...THEY FOUND JIM TRELUS WIFE KILLER, HIDING IN A COAL BIN...



DONT SHOOT! IM COMIN' OUT!

DONT TRY ANY TRICKS, TRELUS!

MURDER-MUGGER, AFE MANSE CORNERED IN A BOARDING-HOUSE CAME OUT SHOOTING, BUT ALL IN VAIN!

THE STUPID APE! HE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH BRAINS TO REALIZE HE DIDN'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST THESE GUNS!



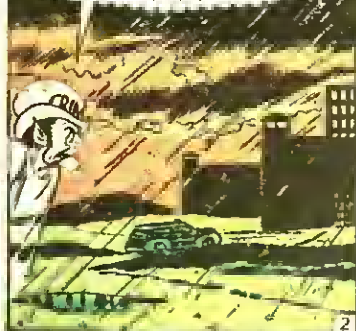
FRANK DULTY, GUNMAN AND GAMBLER WAS CLEVER! NO SOONER HAD THE G-MEN TRAPPED FRANK DULTY, THAN DULTY'S NIMBLE WIT WENT TO WORK!

OKAY, COPPER! WOULD FIVE GRAND FIX THINGS?

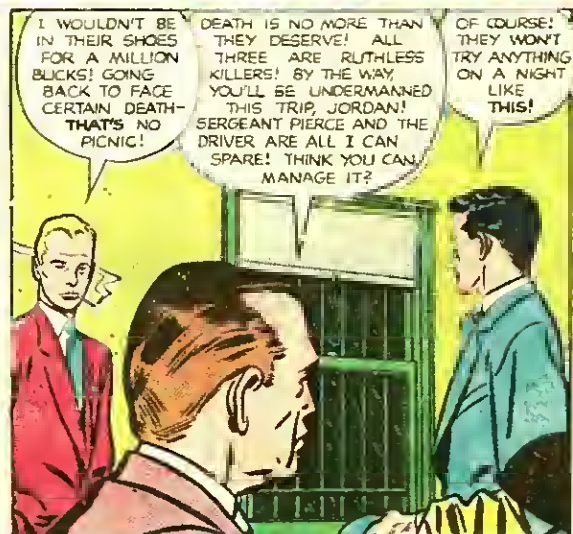
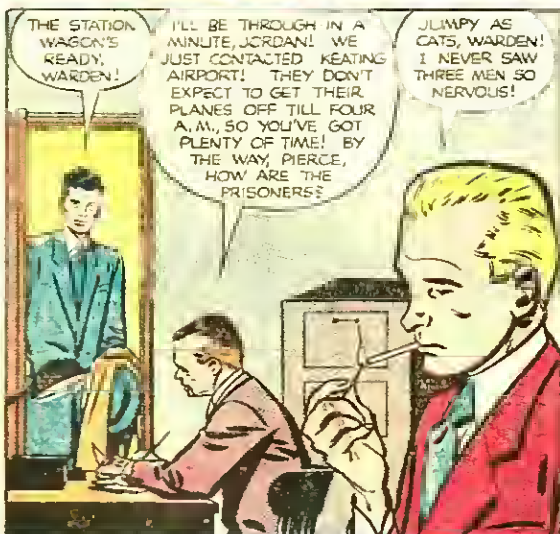
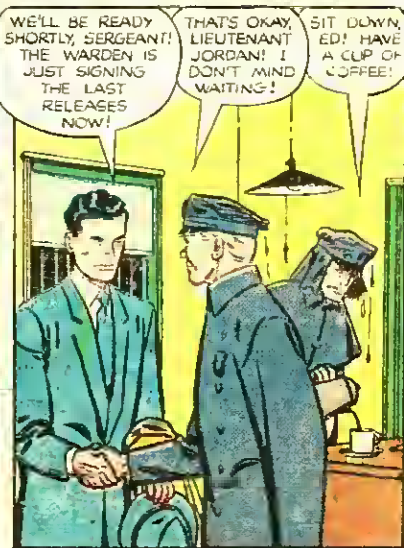
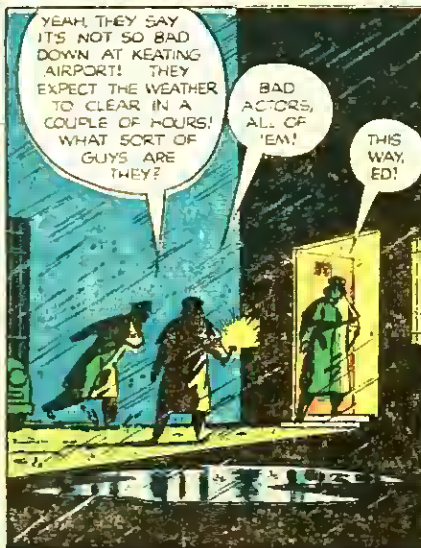
YOU'RE BIDDING TOO HIGH, DULTY! TWO CENTS IS ALL YOUR LIFE IS WORTH NOW! GET GOING, WISE GUY!



WELL, TRELUS, MANSE AND DULTY WERE ALL MOVED INTO THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY TILL THEIR EXTRADITIONS CAME THROUGH! THE SECOND WEEK IN NOVEMBER, 1940, WAS SELECTED FOR BRINGING ALL THREE KILLERS DOWN TO KEATING AIRPORT WHERE DETECTIVES WOULD FLY THEM BACK TO FACE TRIAL IN THE STATES IN WHICH THEY COMMITTED THEIR CRIMES! THAT CAR IS ENROUTE TO COLLECT THEM!



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WELL, I MADE HER STOP TALKIN'. ALL RIGHT! I KNOTTED THE TIE AROUND HER NECK AND PULLED IT TIGHT! I-ISEN'T IT FUNNY THAT I'LL GO THE SAME WAY SOON? WITH A ROPE AROUND MY NECK?

I'D SWITCH PLACES WITH YA ANY TIME! I GET GAS!

THEY STRAP YA IN A SEAT! THEN THEY LET THE GAS IN! IT COMES UP FROM THE FLOOR... FROM VENTS-NOTHIN' TO STOP IT TILL IT FILLS THE ROOM... THEN YA START IN CHOKIN' AN' GASPIN'!

THAT'S VERY SAD, APE! HOW COME IT DIDN' BOTHER YOU WHEN YOU KILLED THAT OLD COUPLE IN THAT GROCERY STORE STICK-UP?

YOU KILLED THEM AS COLD-BLOODEDLY AS YOU MIGHT STEP ON A BUG...THANK HEAVENS THE WOMAN LIVED LONG ENOUGH IN THE HOSPITAL TO IDENTIFY YOU!

THE CHUMPS! THE WAY THEY SQUAWKED YOU'D THINK THEY WERE LOSING A MILLION BUCKS!

YEAH, MY HEART SURE BREAKS FOR YOU, MANSE!

PSST, APE! FORGET THE COPPER! DO YOU THINK THIS DIRTY WEATHER WILL KEEP UP?

I DON'T KNOW! I AINT SEEN THE SKY! WHY? WHAT'S BOTHERIN' YOU, DULTY?

PLENTY! RAIN IS A BREAK FOR US!

A BREAK FOR US? I DON'T GET IT, DULTY! WHAT KIND OF BREAK? WHAT ARE WE GOIN' TO DO? THIS RAIN DON'T MEAN NOTHIN' TO ME!

WE'RE READY TO GO, SIMMONS! MOVE 'EM ALONG INTO THE YARD!

YES, LIEUTENANT!

PIPE DOWN, APE! THE BIG CHEESE IS HERE!

ARE YOU SURE YOU CAN MANAGE THIS CREW, LIEUTENANT?

I'M SURE WE'LL DELIVER THE GOODS, WARDEN—ESPECIALLY WITH A GUY LIKE PIERCE TO HELP ME!

ONLY TWO GUARDS BESIDES THE DRIVER! VERY COZY! THIS MIGHT GO EASIER THAN I EXPECTED!

LOOKS LIKE IT'S LETTING UP, ED!

A GOOD THING, TOO, LIEUTENANT! THE STORM MADE A MESS OF THE ROADS BELOW TODD CITY! OKAY, BOYS, STEP LIVELY!

APE, DID I EVER TELL YOU HOW I CAME HERE?

NO, DULTY! AN' I DON'T CARE TO HEAR IT EITHER!

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IT'S FUNNY, APE, I MEAN... HOW THEY'RE GOING TO PUT ME ON TRIAL AND BURN ME BACK IN MY STATE!

AND IT AIN'T SUN BURN, EITHER—THE KIND OF BURN YOU'LL GET WON'T PEEL OR FADE BY WINTER!



I'VE BEEN A CON MAN ALL MY LIFE, SELLING STOCK IN BUSINESSES THAT DIDN'T EXIST! WELL, I TOOK TWO GUYS FOR ABOUT EIGHT GRAND, AND THEY THREATENED TO GO TO THE COPS! I WAS A FOUR-TIME LOSER! I HAD TO DO SOMETHING!



WELL, I CONNED THEM INTO ANOTHER MEETING AND PUT KNOCKOUT DROPS IN THEIR DRINKS! WHEN I WAS SURE NOTHING WOULD WAKE THOSE GUYS UP, I SET FIRE TO THE CURTAINS!

THIS IS THE ONLY WAY OUT! IT'LL LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT!



WELL, EIGHT PEOPLE GOT BURNED TO DEATH IN THAT HOTEL FIRE, AND IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE THE FBI GOT ON MY TRAIL!

SURE, THEY NAILED YOU! THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE!



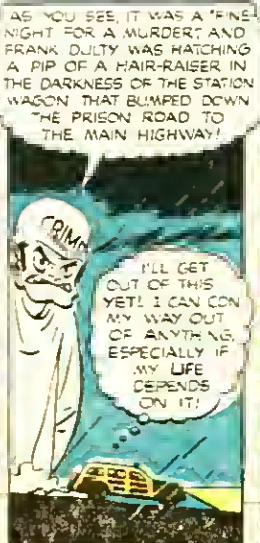
BUT NOW, IT'S MY TURN TO FRY! THEY'RE GOING TO BURN ME IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR! THERES NOTHING WORSE!

DON'T GET SO SORRY FOR YOURSELF, DULTY! WHICHEVER WAY YOUR STATE EXECUTES YOU, YOU DESERVE EXTERMINATION!



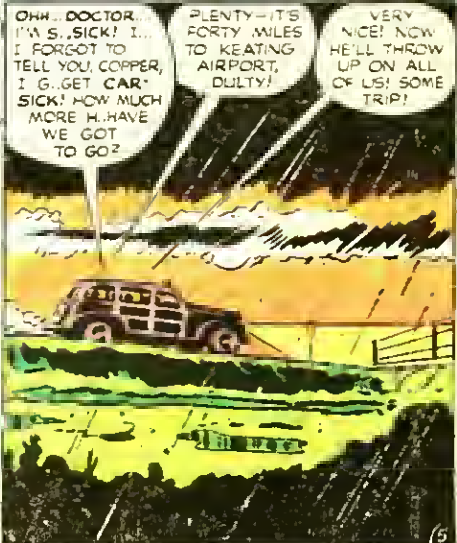
I'VE BEEN LISTENING TO ALL THREE OF YOU GABE ABOUT HOW TOUGH AN EXECUTION YOU FACE, AND I THINK YOU'RE ALL A BUNCH OF DIRTY, YELLOW RATS! GET GOING, ED! LET'S GET THIS GARBAGE DELIVERED!

GARBAGE, EH? YOU'LL BE SORRY YOU SAID THAT, COPPER!



AS YOU SEE, IT WAS A 'FINE' NIGHT FOR A MURDER! AND FRANK DULTY WAS HATCHING A PIP OF A HAIR-RAISER IN THE DARKNESS OF THE STATION WAGON THAT BUMPED DOWN THE PRISON ROAD TO THE MAIN HIGHWAY!

I'LL GET OUT OF THIS YET! I CAN CON MY WAY OUT OF ANYTHING, ESPECIALLY IF MY LIFE DEPENDS ON IT!



OH... DOCTOR, I'M S... SICK! I... I FORGOT TO TELL YOU, COPPER, I G... GET CAR... SICK! HOW MUCH MORE H... HAVE WE GOT TO GO?

PLENTY—IT'S FORTY MILES TO KEATING AIRPORT, DULTY!

VERY NICE! NOW HE'LL THROW UP ON ALL OF US! SOME TRIP!

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HEY, DULTY, LET ME KNOW IN TIME TO GET OUTTA YER WAY!

IT'S NO JOKE! I'M GASP! I'M SICK TO MY STOMACH! I-IM NAUSEOUS... OHHH...

OFFICER, IF YOU OPENED DULTY'S WINDOW, MAYBE THE FRESH AIR MIGHT HELP HIM...

SURE...TO JUMP OUT! I'LL GIVE YOU A FEW INCHES AT THE TOP, DULTY! ITS THE BEST I CAN DO!

C-COPPER, LET ME L-LEAN MY HEAD FORWARD! LET ME REST IT ON THE SEAT IN FRONT OF ME! IT USED TO HELP ME...

NO, SIR! POINT THAT KISSER IN THE COP'S DIRECTION!

SHUT UP, MANSE! YOUR JOKE'S IN BAD TASTE! ALL RIGHT, DULTY, REST YOUR HEAD, BUT NO FUNNY STUFF!

T-THANKS, COPPER! YOU'VE GOT A KIND HEART!

A HALF HOUR LATER CAME THE BREAK DULTY WAS WAITING FOR! A BRIDGE HAD BEEN WASHED OUT...

APE, YOU DUMMY! LISTEN TO ME WHILE JORDAN'S OUTSIDE! DON'T TURN YOUR HEAD! DON'T LET ON YOU'RE LISTENING TO ANYTHING!

HOLY COW! THAT SICK ACT WAS A GAG!

ED, THE TROOPER SAYS WE CAN USE THE AUXILIARY ROUTE! IT'LL BE BUMPIER, BUT WE'LL GET TO KEATING AIRPORT JUST THE SAME!

I'LL CON THE LIEUTENANT INTO TAKIN' ME OUT FOR AIR! WHEN I GIVE THE SIGNAL, KNOCK OUT THE OTHER BULL! TIP OFF TRELIS TO TIE UP THE DRIVER!

AND SO, BEFORE THE STATION WAGON HAD GONE A MILE ALONG THE SECONDARY ROUTE, THREE MURDERERS WERE PREPARED TO CHEAT SOCIETY OF ITS DUE REVENGE!

I WON'T SIT IN THE GAS CHAMBER!

I WON'T HANG!

I'LL BEAT THE CHAIR!

ALL RIGHT, APE-THIS IS IT!

AHHHH. THAT'S BETTER! A BUIT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE!

S-STOP THE CAR! I'M GETTIN' STIFF! I'M DYIN'! ... STOP THE CAR!

DON'T BE A FOOL, DULTY! THAT'S JUST CARESICKNESS! GET A GRIP ON YOURSELF!

STOP THE CAR! I...I FEEL NEEDLES UP AN' DOWN IN MY ARMS! I'M TURNING RIGID!

FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD, COPPER! SO WE'LL BE FIVE MINUTES LATE AT THE AIRPORT! WE'VE BEEN HEARIN' HIM YOWL EVER SINCE WE LEFT!

HEY, COPPER! IS THERE A LAW AGAINST ME SMOKIN', TOO? I COULD STAND A DRAG...THEY GIVE A GAULOW'S BIRD A MEAL BEFORE HE CROAKS! SO WHY NOT A PUFF?

OKAY, MANSE, DONT WRITE A BOOK ABOUT IT! TAKE ONE!

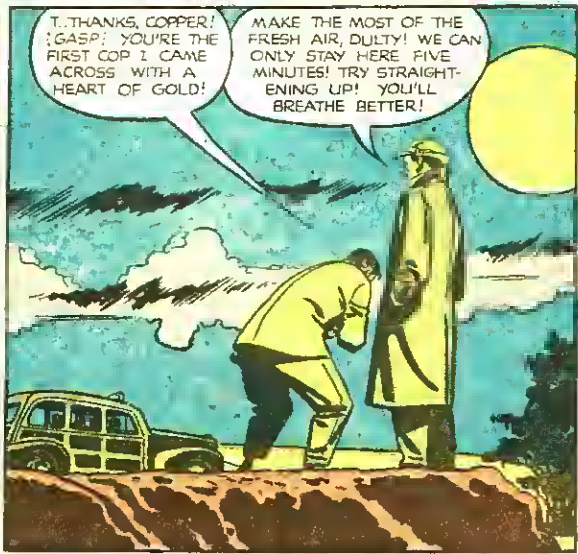
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I'M CHOKIN'!
GIVE ME AIR!
AIR, FOR
H..HEAVEN'S
SAKE!

ED, PULL OVER TO
ONE SIDE! THIS BUMPY
ROAD MADE DULTY'S NAL-
SEA, WORSE! I'LL TAKE HIM
OUT FOR FIVE MINUTES
WHILE YOU AND PIERCE
KEEP AN EYE ON
OUR GAY
COMPANIONS!

OKAY,
LIEUTENANT!



T..THANKS, COPPER!
;GASP; YOU'RE THE
FIRST COP I CAME
ACROSS WITH A
HEART OF GOLD!

MAKE THE MOST OF THE
FRESH AIR, DULTY! WE CAN
ONLY STAY HERE FIVE
MINUTES! TRY STRAIGHT-
ENING UP! YOU'LL
BREATHE BETTER!



OKAY, C...COPPER!
IF YOU SAY SO-
HOW'S THIS?

OH...-



YOU FOOL! WHO'S SICK TO
HIS STOMACH NOW?

OOFFF!!

APE, QUICK! TAKE
OUT THAT COPPER!



THANKS FOR THE
LIGHT COPPER NOW
WATCH YOURS
GO OUT!

Y!!!!



APE, QUICK! I
CAN'T HOLD
HIM! H...HE'S
STRONGER
THAN ME!

Y..YOU
WON'T GET
AWAY, YOU
LICE!

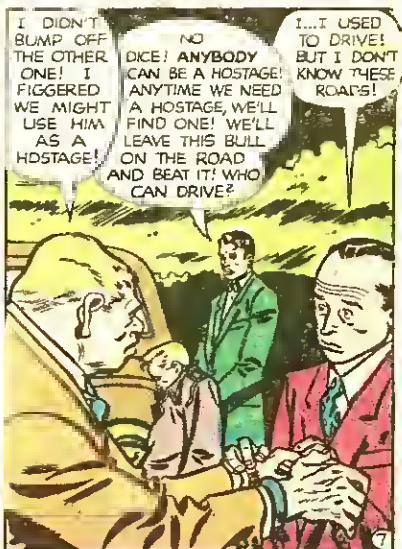
LICE, EH?
YOU WON'T
DRIVE NO HEARSE
WHEN I'M DONE
WITH YA!



IT WORKED
PERFECTLY,
DULTY! I GOT
THE KEYS TO
THE HAND-
CLIFFS, AND
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THE FINISHING
TOUCHES ON
THE DRIVER
NOW!

H...HE'S
KILLIN'
HIM?

SO WHAT?
WHAT DO
YA THINK
TH' COPPER
WOULD'VE
DONE TO ME
IF HE EVER
GOT LOOSE
FROM MY
GRIP?



I DIDN'T
BUMP OFF
THE OTHER
ONE! I
FIGGERED
WE MIGHT
USE HIM
AS A
HOSTAGE!

NO
DICE! ANYBODY
CAN BE A HOSTAGE!
ANYTIME WE NEED
A HOSTAGE, WE'LL
FIND ONE! WE'LL
LEAVE THIS BULL
ON THE ROAD
AND BEAT IT! WHO
CAN DRIVE?

I...I WOULD
TO DRIVE!
BUT I DON'T
KNOW THESE
ROADS!

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HIM DRIVE? DON'T BE CRAZY! TRELLIS IS SCARED OF HIS OWN SHADOW! I'LL DO THE DRIVIN'!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WORSE—YOUR STUPIDTY OR TRELLIS' COWARDICE! SO I'LL DRIVE! HERE'S THE SERGEANT'S GUN!

DON'T TAKE ALL DAY WITH THESE HANDCUFFS, TRELLIS—MAKE IT SNAPPY!



I FOUND ANOTHER GUN, DULTY! THAT MAKES THREE PISTOLS BETWEEN US!

IT AIN'T AN ARSENAL, BUT IT'LL HELP! WHERE, TO, DULTY? TO KEATING?

YEAH—THERE'S NO SENSE DITCHING THE CAR HERE! WE'D BE SURROUNDED BY MORNIN' IF WE HEADED INTO THESE WOODS! KEATING'S A PRETTY BIG BURG—A GUY CAN GET LOST THERE!



DULTY YOU WERE MARVELOUS! IF NOT FOR YOU, I'D BE SWINGING!

THAT'S RIGHT—AN' I'D BE SWALLOWIN' GAS!

AND I'D BE BURNING IN THAT HOT SEAT! YEAH—SO FAR WE DID ALL RIGHT! NOW IF WE CAN ONLY MAKE IT ALL THE WAY!



MEANWHILE, A BADLY BATTERED FIGURE STRUGGLED TO THE TOP OF THE MUDDY EMBANKMENT...

IT'S ALL MY FAULT! I WAS IN CHARGE! I SHOULD NEVER HAVE LET DULTY GET OUT OF THE CAR!



THE RATS! THEY KILLED POOR ED! BUT PIERCE...

LIEUTENANT... OHHH...

PIERCE! HE'S ALIVE! PIERCE, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?



WANSSE CLIPPED ME! W. WHERE'S ED?

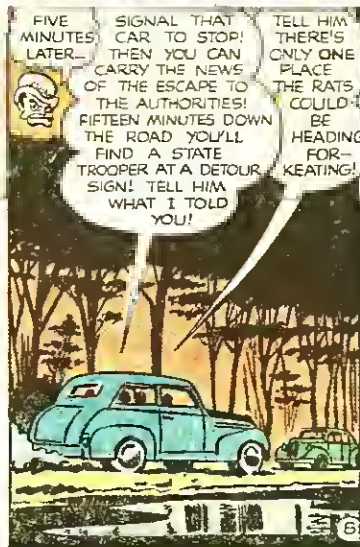
DEAD—STRANGLER TO DEATH! BUT THEY WON'T ESCAPE, PIERCE! THEY'VE ONLY GOT A FIVE MINUTE JUMP ON US! WAIT—THERE'S A CAR COMING NOW! WE'LL CATCH UP WITH THEM!

STOP! STOP!



GOOD HEAVENS, MISTER! WHAT HAPPENED?

THREE KILLERS JUST ESCAPED IN A PRISON STATION WAGON! I MUST ORDER YOU TO FOLLOW THEM! WE CAN'T LET THESE MURDERERS GET AWAY! I'LL LET YOU TRANSFER TO THE FIRST CAR WE MEET!

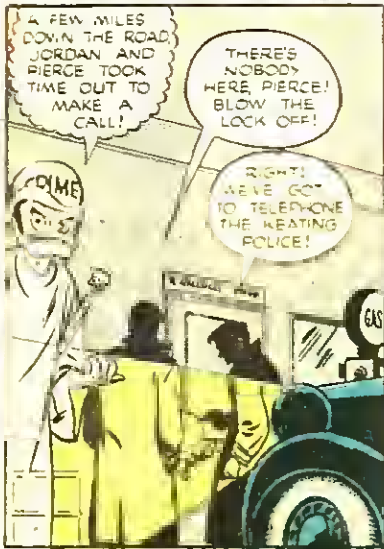


FIVE MINUTES LATER...

SIGNAL THAT CAR TO STOP! THEN YOU CAN CARRY THE NEWS OF THE ESCAPE TO THE AUTHORITIES! FIFTEEN MINUTES DOWN THE ROAD YOU'LL FIND A STATE TROOPER AT A DETOUR SIGN! TELL HIM WHAT I TOLD YOU!

TELL HIM THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE THE RATS COULD BE HEADING FOR—KEATING!

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A FEW MILES DOWN THE ROAD, JORDAN AND PIERCE TOOK TIME OUT TO MAKE A CALL!

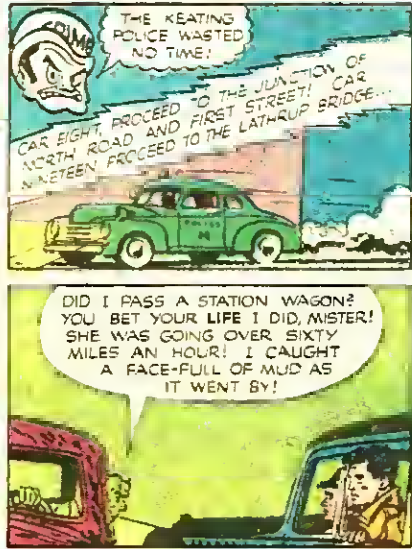
THERE'S NOBODY HERE PIERCE! BLOW THE LOCK OFF!

RIGHT! WE'VE GOT TO TELEPHONE THE KEATING POLICE!



KEATING POLICE? LIEUTENANT JORDAN! THREE MURDERERS ARE HEADED YOUR WAY IN A PRISON STATION WAGON! THEY GOT ONE OF OUR MEN AT ROUTE 27! PICK HIM UP!

FOUND A LUGGER, LIEUTENANT! THIS WILL COME IN MIGHTY HANDY!



THE KEATING POLICE WASTED NO TIME!

DID I PASS A STATION WAGON? YOU BET YOUR LIFE I DID, MISTER! SHE WAS GOING OVER SIXTY MILES AN HOUR! I CAUGHT A FACE-FULL OF MUD AS IT WENT BY!



DULTY, WE MADE IT! WE'RE IN CITY LIMITS NOW!

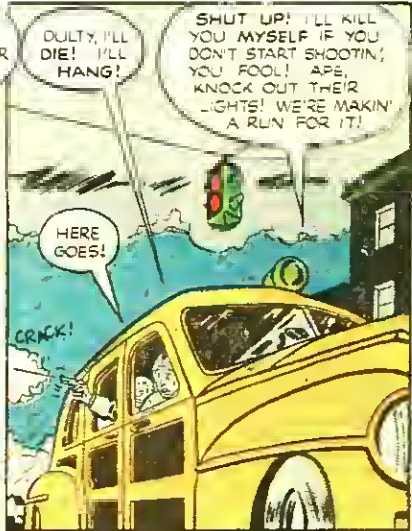
YEAH! NOW TO GET LOST!



THERE IT IS—THE STATION WAGON! GIVE IT THE SPOTLIGHT!

DULTY, LOOK! IT'S THE COPS! THEY WERE WAITING FOR US! TH...THEY'LL GET US!

RIGHT!

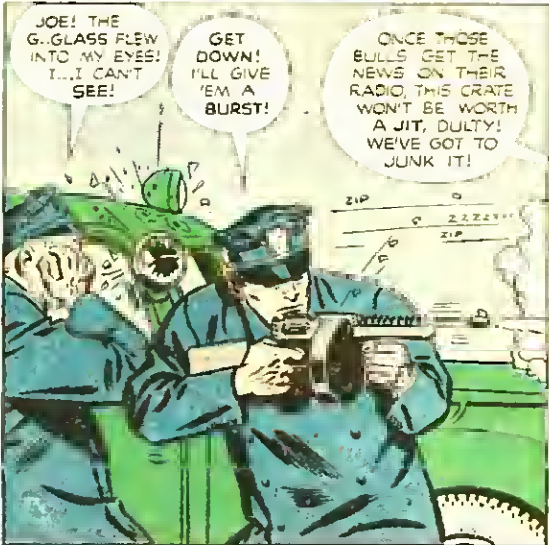


DULTY, I'LL DIE! I'LL HANG!

SHUT UP! I'LL KILL YOU MYSELF IF YOU DON'T START SHOOTIN', YOU FOOL! APE, KNOCK OUT THEIR LIGHTS! WE'RE MAKIN' A RUN FOR IT!

HERE GOES!

CRACK!



JOE! THE G. GLASS FLEW INTO MY EYES! I...I CAN'T SEE!

GET DOWN! I'LL GIVE 'EM A BURST!

ONCE THOSE BULLS GET THE NEWS ON THEIR RADIO, THIS CRATE WON'T BE WORTH A JIT, DULTY! WE'VE GOT TO JUNK IT!



RAT-A TAT-TAT...

HURRY! BIG COPS AROUND A COUPLA BUCKS, DULTY! THEN WE'LL ALL GET OUT!

YOU'LL GET OUT! NOT ME! I'M PUTTIN' DISTANCE BETWEEN ME AN' THAT ELECTRIC CHAIR!

SCREEEE

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B-BUT... DUTY! THEY'LL PICK YOU UP BEFORE YOU'RE HALFWAY ACROSS TOWN!

TO MY LIFE, DON'T IT? I'M NOT HOPIN' UP ON ANY ATOMIC BOMB BATS TILL THE BULL'S SKONE ME OUT!

DON'T ARGUE WITH THE CAP TROLLS!

VOTE FOR JOHNSON!

FORGET ABOUT DUTY! WE GOTTA FIND A PLACE TO HIDE TILL THE HEAT'S OFF! IT'S BETTER HE TOWN THE CAR! THE COPE MONT THINK ANNYONE GOT OUT OF IT!

VOTE FOR JOHNSON!

I'LL NEVER BURN! THEY'LL NEVER TAKE ME ALIVE!

TROLLS PROVED TO BE A PROPHECY! FINE BLOCKS AWAY!

ANOTHER FROWN CAR! THEY'RE ALL OVER! I'LL HAVE TO CUT INTO THAT SIDE STREET!

THAT STATION WAGON'S HEADED FOR THE FREIGHT YARDS! SWING AROUND AND FOLLOW HIM!

T-THE WHEEL! I...I CAN'T HOLD IT STEADY!

THERE! I HIT ONE OF THEIR TIRES! WAIT—LOOK OUT! HE'S LOSING CONTROL OF THE CAR!

BANG! BANG!

POW!

CRASHH!!

DANGER! HIGH TENSION WIRE!

AAAHHH!!

HOLY MACKEREL! HE LANDED RIGHT ON TOP OF THREE HIGH TENSION WIRE! HE'LL BE ELECTROCUTED!

ZZZZZZ!

IRONIC, ISN'T IT? FRANK DUTY WAS DETERMINED TO ESCAPE THE ELECTRIC CHAIR AND WHAT HAPPENED? A LITTLE LESS CEREMONY, A LITTLE LESS COST TO HIS STATE, BUT ELECTROCUTED JUST THE SAME!

MEANWHILE, WHAT OF DUTY'S "LUCKY" BRETHREN?

IF WE COULD ONLY HIDE IN ONE OF THESE BUILDINGS! THE FREIGHT YARDS ARE CLOSE BY—WE COULD HOP A TRAIN IN THE MORNING!

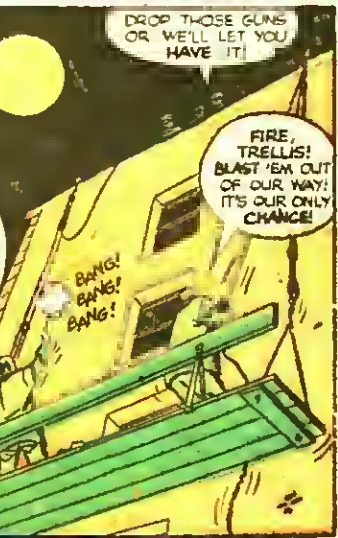
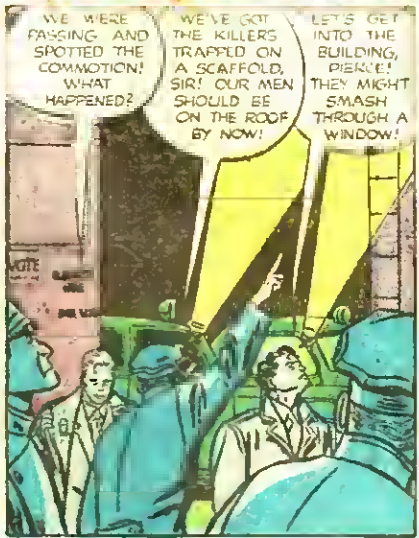
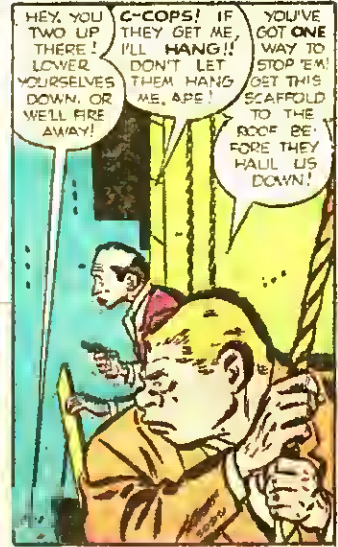
YEAR, EXCEPT WE CAN'T GET INSIDE! WAIT A SECOND... THAT SCAFFOLD! WE COULD HOIST OURSELVES UP TO THE ROOF!

VOTE! DON'T FORGET TO VOTE TO THE MAN ELECTRIC!

THEY FLASHED PAST—HERE BELTENBACH—THEN ACCORDING TO THE LATEST RADIO REPORT TWO OF THEM GOT OUT ABOUT A HALF MILE AWAY BECAUSE ONLY ONE MAN THE DRIVER WAS BURNED TO DEATH... SINCE THE OTHERS COULDN'T HAVE GONE VERY FAR, WE'VE SURROUNDED THE END OF TOWN AND WE'RE CLOSING IN.

EXCELLENT! WE'LL JOIN IN THE CHASE!

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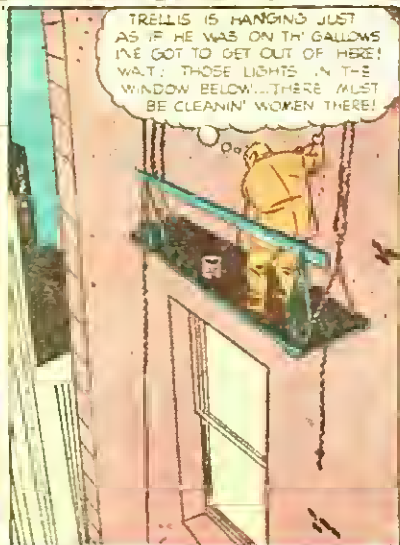


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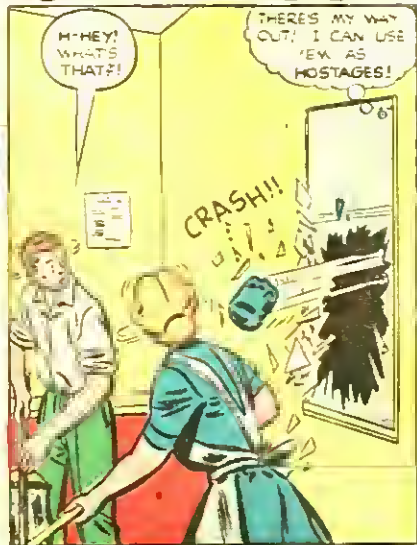


WELL WHAT DO YOU KNOW HE HUNG HIMSELF!

T-AT'LL SAVE THE STATE SOME MONEY!



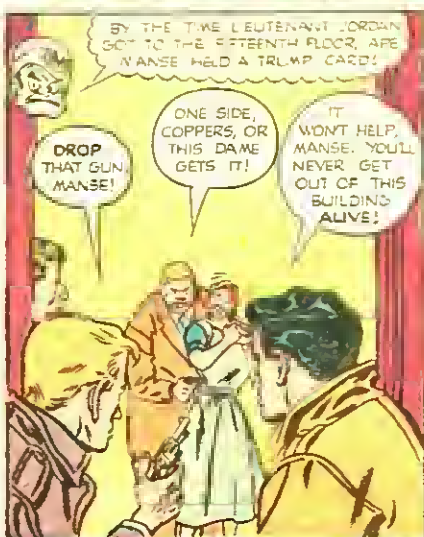
TRELLIS IS HANGING JUST AS IF HE WAS ON TH' GALLOWS I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE! W-A-I-T: THOSE LIGHTS IN THE WINDOW BELOW...THERE MUST BE CLEANIN' WOMEN THERE!



M-HEY! WHAT'S THAT?!

THERE'S MY WAY OUT! I CAN USE 'EM AS HOSTAGES!

CRASH!!

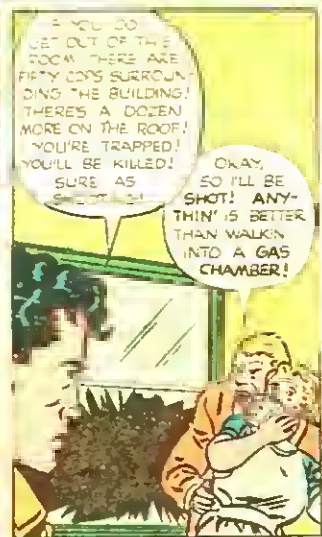


BY THE TIME LEUTENANT JORDAN GOT TO THE FIFTEENTH FLOOR, APE MANSE HAD A TRUMP CARD!

DROP THAT GUN, MANSE!

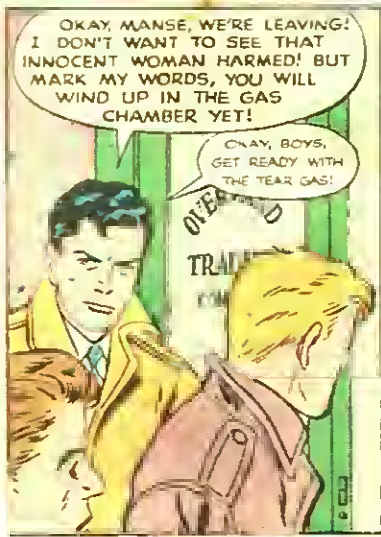
ONE SIDE, COPPERS, OR THIS DAME GETS IT!

IT WON'T HELP, MANSE. YOU'LL NEVER GET OUT OF THIS BUILDING ALIVE!



IF YOU DO GET OUT OF THE ROOM THERE ARE FIFTY COPS SURROUNDING THE BUILDING! THERE'S A DOZEN MORE ON THE ROOF! YOU'RE TRAPPED! YOU'LL BE KILLED! SURE AS SHOTS!

OKAY, SO I'LL BE SHOT! ANYTHIN' IS BETTER THAN WALKIN' INTO A GAS CHAMBER!

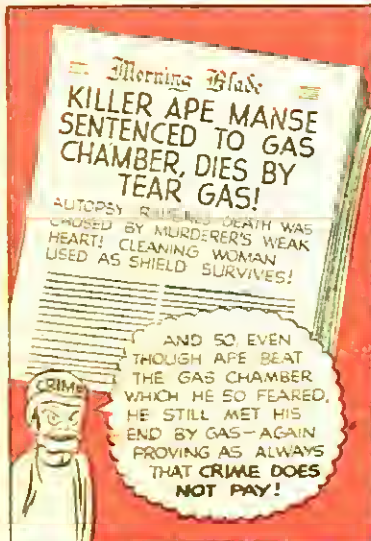


OKAY, MANSE, WE'RE LEAVING! I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT INNOCENT WOMAN HARMED! BUT MARK MY WORDS, YOU WILL WIND UP IN THE GAS CHAMBER YET!

OKAY, BOYS, GET READY WITH THE TEAR GAS!



HELP! TEAR GAS! ; COUGH! ; COUGH! ; I CAN'T STAND IT! I CAN'T BREATHE! ; COUGH! ; H..HELP!! I'M SUFFOCATING!! ; GASP ;



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AND SO EVEN THOUGH APE BEAT THE GAS CHAMBER WHICH HE SO FEARED, HE STILL MET HIS END BY GAS--AGAIN PROVING AS ALWAYS THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY!



WELL, CHIEF, THAT WRAPS UP THE CASE FOR GOOD! MY ONE REGRET IS THAT OFFICER SMITH LOST HIS LIFE!

YES, JORDAN! HOW IRONIC IT IS THAT ALL THREE GOT THEIR JUST DESERTS EVEN THOUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE STATES WERE CHEATED FROM DEALING OUT THE PUNISHMENT!

THE END

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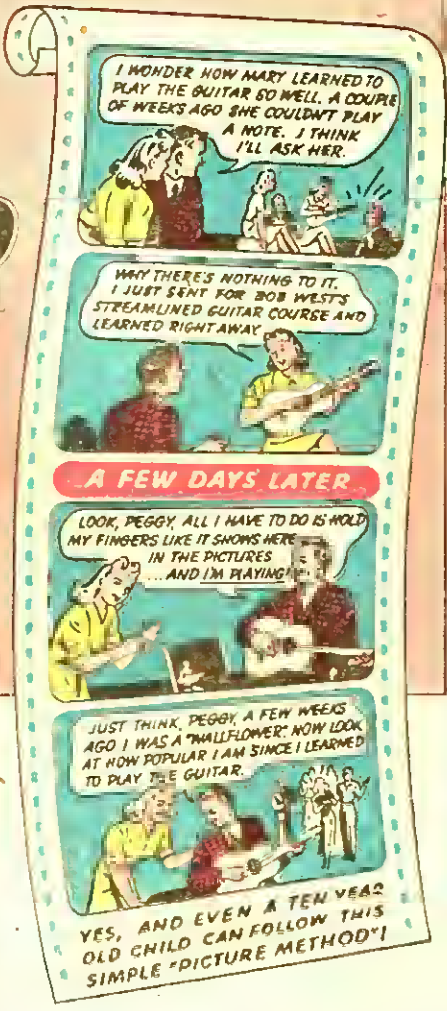
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Stamp collectors can prove for themselves as to who discovered America by looking at the stamps of Spain and the countries of North, South and Central America. In no case has any stamp been issued for Amerigo Vespucci, but many, many stamps have been issued honoring Christopher Columbus.

STAMP PAGE
by *SIDNEY M. ELIAS*

ALTHOUGH we in the United States celebrate October 12th, as Columbus Day, in honor of the accredited discoverer of America, history relates that Columbus actually never set foot on continental North America. Columbus made four voyages to the western hemisphere and during each trip he discovered new lands but none in North America. On his first voyage he landed on Watling Island in the Bahamas on Oct. 12, 1492 which at that time called San Salvador. During this voyage he also discovered Cuba and the island of Hispaniola.



Christopher Columbus

During the period 1495 to 1497 in which Columbus' monopoly on exploration was cancelled by the King of Spain, a number of free-lance explorers sailed on expeditions to the new world. One of these explorers, Amerigo Vespucci claimed to have discovered in 1497 a new continent. On his return he made public many letters claiming that he discovered a new world. These letters were read and translated into different languages. On Waldseemullers map in 1507, the name of America was given to a body of land resembling South America. Vespucci's claim to his discovery was never verified and many prominent historians believed that he never made a voyage to the continent of North or South America. As time went on map makers and historians called the new world America and later on as the territories were explored, the names of North, Central and South America were given to the different parts of the continent.

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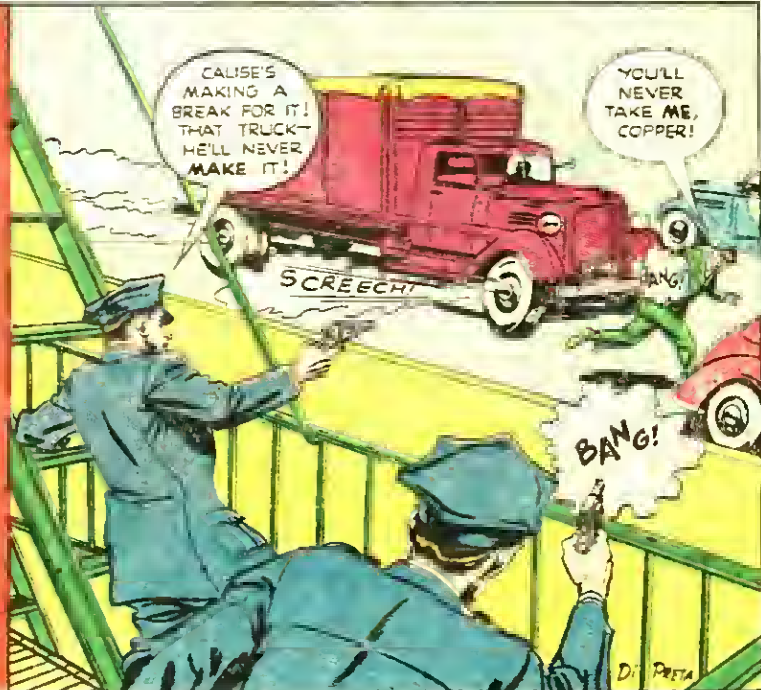
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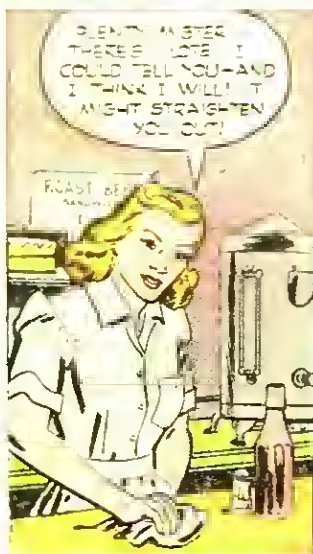
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CONFESSION OF A RACKETEER'S WIDOW

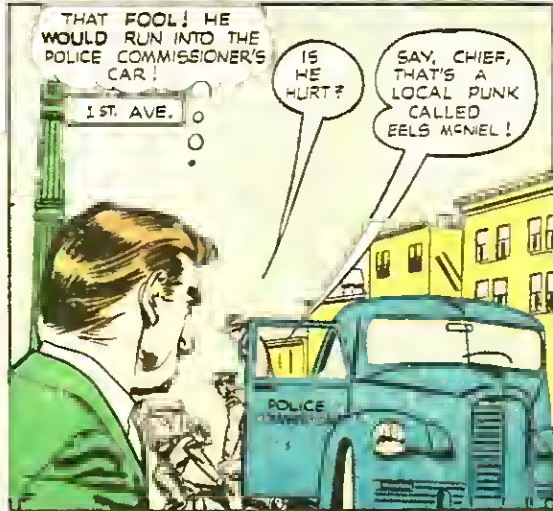
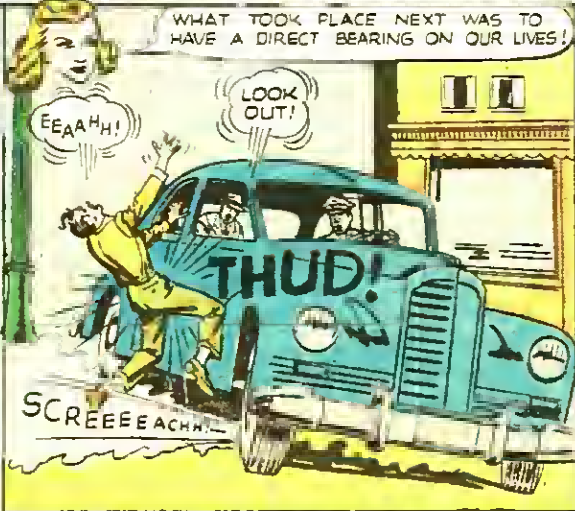


WHO WOULD HAVE SUSPECTED THE FAIR AND INNOCENT-LOOKING WAITRESS BEHIND THIS LUNCH COUNTER OF BEING A RACKETEER'S WIDOW?

ON THE NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 17, 1947, IN WEST HAVEN, A NERVOUS YOUNG MAN WAS BEING WAITED ON BY THIS EX-GUN MOLL...



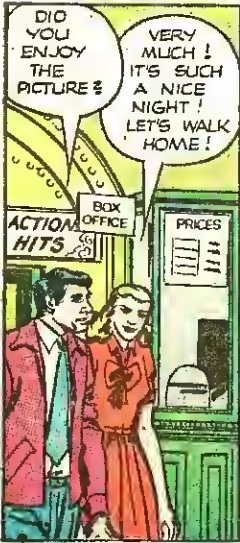
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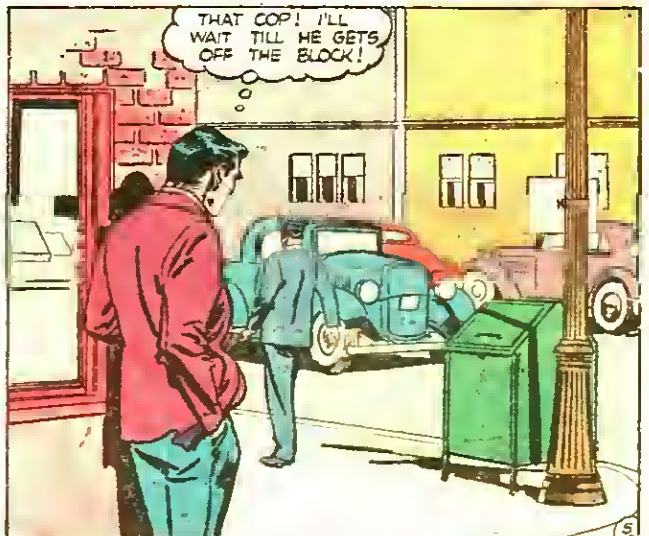
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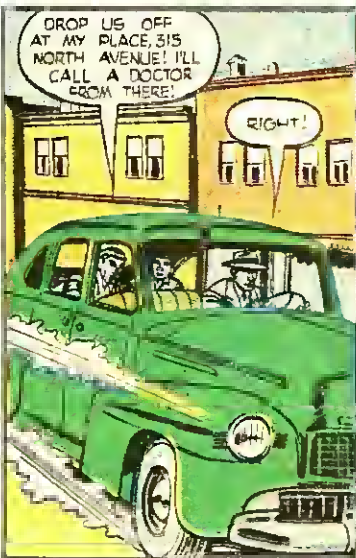
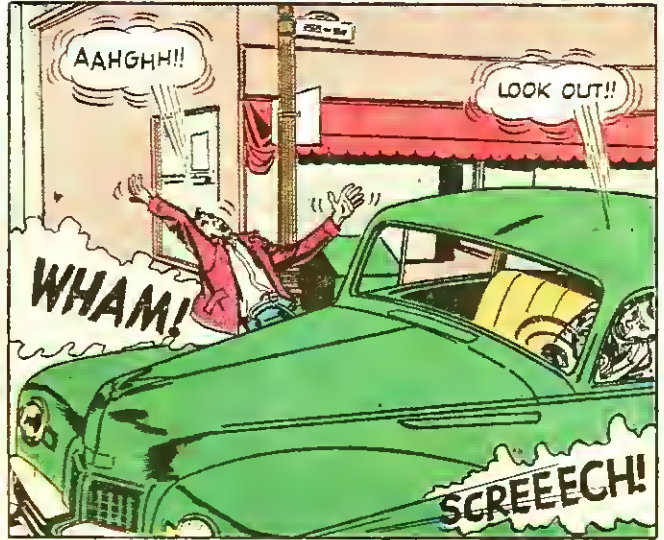
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NO ROLLS, I WANT TO HANDLE THIS CASE MYSELF! I'M GOING TO SEE MACK THIS AFTERNOON!



THE INSURANCE MAN ARRIVED AT DAVE'S APARTMENT WHERE BOB WAS LYING ON THE SOFA, SUPPOSEDLY RECOVERING FROM THE ACCIDENT!

YOUR FRIEND'S CLAIM SEEMS TO BE IN ORDER! WE'RE VOUCHING TO SETTLE OUT OF COURT IF HIS DEMANDS ARE NOT UNREASONABLE!



I'M AUTHORIZED TO OFFER YOU \$2,000 AND NOT A PENNY MORE!

THAT ISN'T NEARLY AS MUCH AS MY FRIEND WANTS! I'LL ASK HIM AND SEE WHAT HE SAYS!



NEEDLESS TO SAY, BOB SAID "YES"! TWO DAYS LATER, A CHECK ARRIVED FROM THE INSURANCE COMPANY...

WELL, I'M HEADING RIGHT FOR THE BANK NOW! I SURE CAN USE THAT MOOLA!

DON'T BE A FOOL! YOU'VE GOT TO LAY LOW FOR A WHILE! THEY'D HAVE OUR NECKS! ENDORSE IT AND I'LL CASH IT!

WELL, OKAY! BUT MAKE IT FAST!



WHAT DAVE AND BOB NEVER SUSPECTED WAS THAT THE POLICE AND INSURANCE COMPANY WERE WISE TO THE RACKET! AND NOW THE POLICE WERE READY TO CLOSE IN!

WE'LL TAIL HIM AND NAB HIM AND HIS ACCOMPLICE TOGETHER!

YESSIR!



I ONLY BROUGHT BACK \$250 FOR YOU! THAT'S ALL YOU DESERVE!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, \$250? I WANT A THOUSAND! THAT'S WHAT WE AGREED ON! I NEED AT LEAST A THOUSAND FOR THE OPERATION!



YOU'LL TAKE \$250 AND LIKE IT!

WHY YOU - WE'LL SEE IF YOU GET MY MONEY OR NOT...

GET OUTSIDE, HONEY!



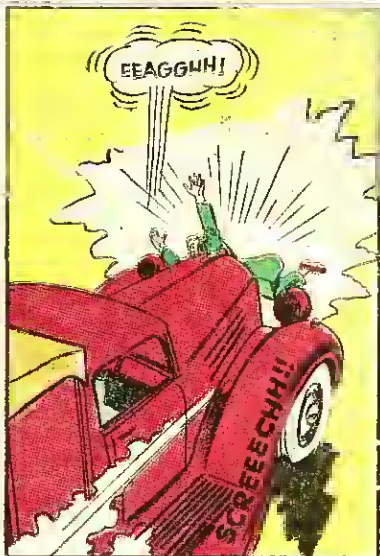
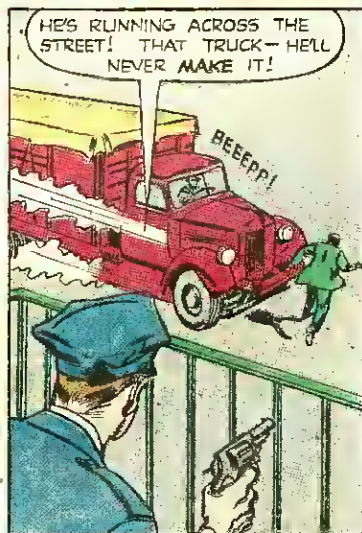
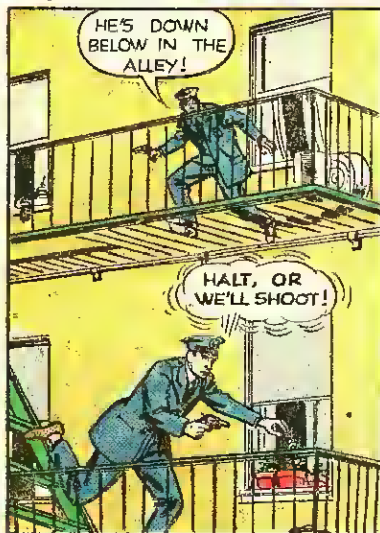
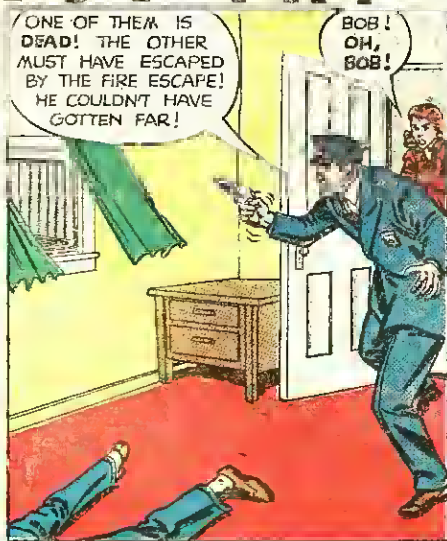
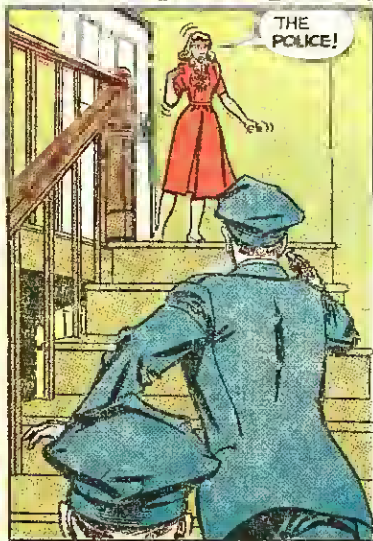
YOU LOW-DOWN DOG!

CRASH!



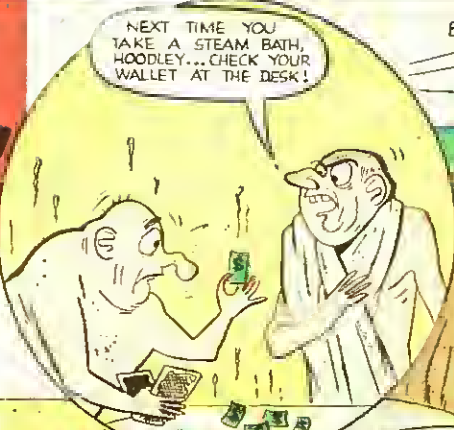
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KILL YA!**

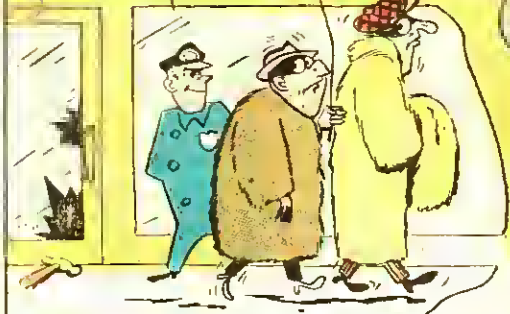
DON'T TELL ME!
I KNOW—YOU'RE
GOING TO A
NIGHT FOOTBALL
GAME!



BANG!
BANG!
BANG!

DON'T SAY
ANYTHING! HE
MIGHT MAKE
IT!

FURRIARS



I SEND FLOODER
OUT TO HIRE SOME
SMART OPERATORS,
AND THIS IS WHAT
I GET!



NOW!
IN COLOR!

Slinky WALKING SPRING
FUN TOY

WATCH IT
ZIP!

OBOY! IT
FEELS ALIVE.

SOME FUN

GEE WHIZ,
ALL THE
KIDS HAVE
SLINKIES
BUT ME.

MINE WON
LAST TIME.

LOOK AT MY
SLINKY GO!

MY
SLINKY
SURE IS
FAST!

GOLLY, A
SLINKY RACE
IS-SWELL FUN.
I'LL ASK DAD
TO GET ME
ONE.

DAD,
PLEASE
ORDER A
SLINKY
FOR ME
TODAY.

SURE THING, SON.
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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

I've been reading your magazine CRIME DOES NOT PAY for a long time, and I've truly enjoyed every issue. I'm saving all my copies toward the time my children are old enough to read, for your book demonstrates clearly enough for a child to understand that crime doesn't pay. Thanks so much for the splendid work you're doing, and please keep it up. My husband also enjoys these comics.

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I read every issue of CRIME DOES NOT PAY that I can obtain, but unfortunately there are not too many copies here on Okinawa where I am stationed. This book was my favorite at home and still is over here. I'm sure it helps to keep a lot of boys out of trouble. Thanks a million for putting out such a fine book.

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As one of the many thousands of readers of CRIME DOES NOT PAY, I wanted to write and tell you how interesting your stories are. I often take your magazine to school with me to read in study hall when my other work is finished. My teachers don't mind me reading it because they know as well as I do that it's a very helpful magazine. I intend to continue reading it throughout my life.

Donald Simon
1921 Manchester Road
Akron 14, Ohio

I am the president of a club called the Crime Stoppers. The members asked me to write and congratulate the editors of CRIME DOES NOT PAY, Charles Biro and Bob Wood, on the fine job they are doing in combatting juvenile delinquency.

David Doherty
3½ Ann St.
Charleston, S. C.

I am a reader of your magazine CRIME DOES NOT PAY, and I enjoy it very much. There is, however, one suggestion I would like to make: that is, that you print more stories about juvenile delinquency in the United States today. I know that if some of the children who don't look at the front pages of newspapers could see what happens to criminals, through the pages of your book, they would go straight.

Julio Chomberloin
Scipio Center
New York

I particularly like the Who Dunit? stories that you publish every month in CRIME DOES NOT PAY because it tests children's wits while teaching them that crime doesn't pay. It also encourages them to become policemen in order to try to prevent killing and lawbreaking. I know I'd like to become a policewoman.

Barbara Aitchison
323 Cambridge
Buffala 15, N. Y.

I am a girl in a hospital who enjoys reading CRIME DOES NOT PAY. I used to be a bad girl, but after reading this book I realized how young boys and girls should behave. I've read lots of books, but CRIME DOES NOT PAY is the best I have ever read, for it taught me the folly of wrong-doing.

L. S.
Spartanburg, S.C.

There will never be any need for lessons about crime in our house, for CRIME DOES NOT PAY serves as the most effective teacher there ever could be. My brother, sisters, mother and father all read it, and my father considers it the best magazine that the youth of America can read. Keep up the good work.

Ronald Rerszewsko
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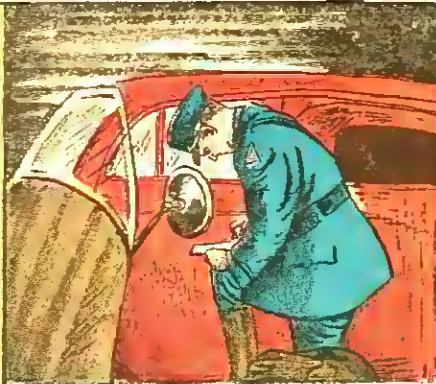


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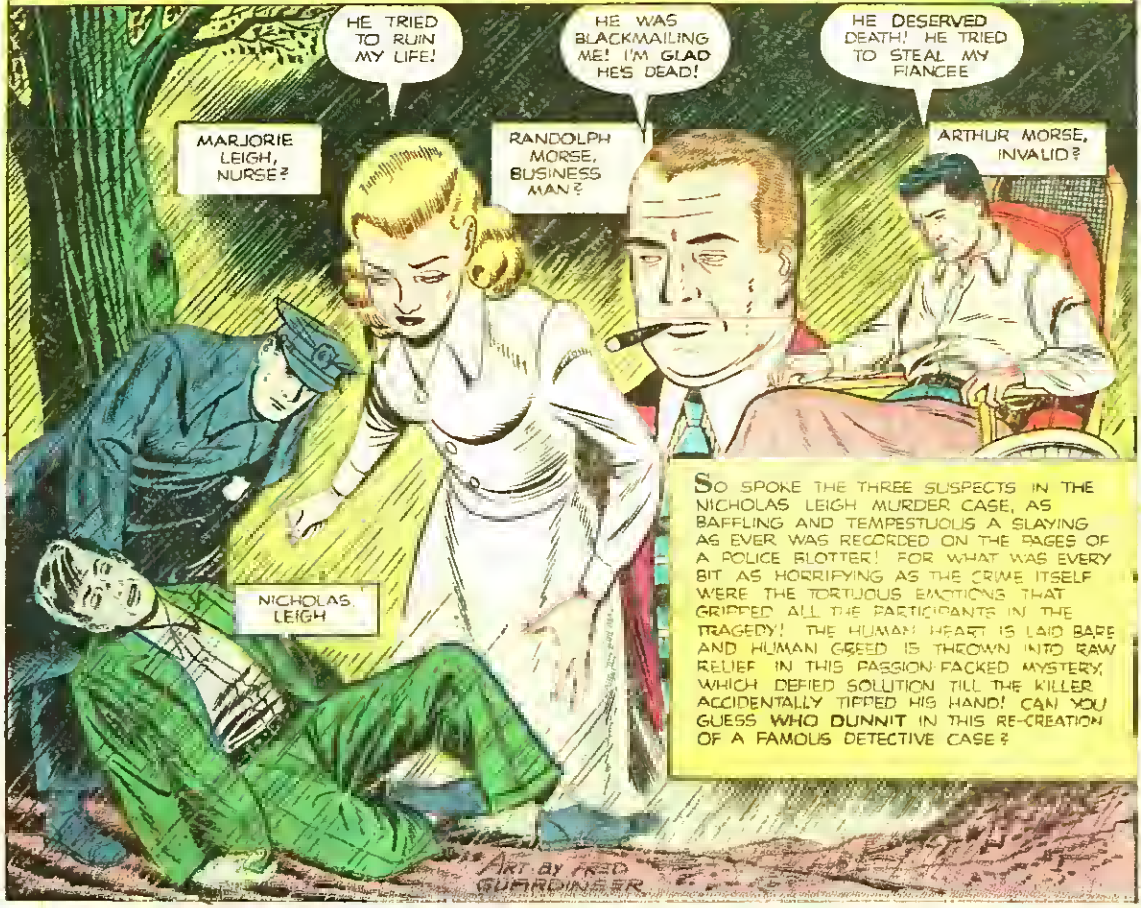
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HE DESERVED DEATH! HE TRIED TO STEAL MY FIANCEE

MARJORIE LEIGH, NURSE?

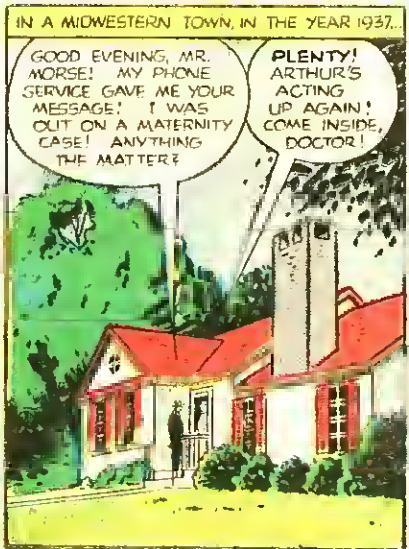
RANDOLPH MORSE, BUSINESS MAN?

ARTHUR MORSE, INVALID?

NICHOLAS LEIGH

SO SPOKE THE THREE SUSPECTS IN THE NICHOLAS LEIGH MURDER CASE, AS BAFFLING AND TEMPESTUOUS A SLAYING AS EVER WAS RECORDED ON THE PAGES OF A POLICE BLOTTER! FOR WHAT WAS EVERY BIT AS HORRIFYING AS THE CRIME ITSELF WERE THE TORTUROUS EMOTIONS THAT GRIPPED ALL THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE TRAGEDY! THE HUMAN HEART IS LAID BARE AND HUMAN GREED IS THROWN INTO RAW RELIEF IN THIS PASSION-FAKED MYSTERY, WHICH DEFIED SOLUTION TILL THE KILLER ACCIDENTALLY TIPPED HIS HAND! CAN YOU GUESS WHO DUNNIT IN THIS RE-CREATION OF A FAMOUS DETECTIVE CASE?

Art by FRED GUARDINER



IN A MIDWESTERN TOWN, IN THE YEAR 1937...

GOOD EVENING, MR. MORSE! MY PHONE SERVICE GAVE ME YOUR MESSAGE! I WAS OUT ON A MATERNITY CASE! ANYTHING THE MATTER?

PLENTY! ARTHUR'S ACTING UP AGAIN! COME INSIDE, DOCTOR!



IT'S THE SAME THING ALL OVER AGAIN! TANTRUMS, MELANCHOLY, CRYING JAGS, THE "WISH-I-WERE-DEAD" ROUTINE! MRS JUSTIN, WILL YOU TELL MY SON THAT DR. FIELDS IS HERE TO SEE HIM?

NO, THANKS! HE MIGHT TAKE IT INTO HIS HEAD TO THROW SOMETHING AT ME LIKE HE DID YESTERDAY!

A NEW NURSE?



NO, DOCTOR, AN EX-NURSE! THE FIFTH TO GO IN A MONTH! WE'VE TRIED 'EM ALL SIZES, AGES AND PERSONALITIES! ARTHUR HATES 'EM ALL!

I SEE! WHY HIRE A NURSE IF HE DOESN'T WANT ONE?

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YOU FORGET, ARTHUR IS A CRIPPLE AND HE HAS NO MOTHER TO LOOK AFTER HIM! I'M BUSY AT THE PLANT! HOW CAN ARTHUR'S NEEDS BE ATTENDED TO? DON'T BE FOOLISH, DOCTOR! ARTHUR MUST HAVE HELP!

ALL RIGHT, MORSE! WELL, MAY I SEE THE BOY?

THE DOOR'S LOCKED! ARTHUR! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? ARTHUR, OPEN THE DOOR, PLEASE!

IT'S DR. FIELDS, ARTHUR! I'M HERE TO HELP YOU!

NOBODY CAN HELP ME! GO AWAY! I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANYBODY!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

ARTHUR, PLEASE OPEN THE DOOR! WE WANT TO HELP YOU!

TO DO WHAT? TO WALK? TO PLAY THE PIANO WITH TWO GOOD HANDS? DR. FIELDS IS A MAN OF SCIENCE, NOT A MIRACLE MAN! I HAVEN'T WALKED FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS! IS DR. FIELDS GOING TO PUT NEW LIFE INTO DEAD LIMBS? GO AWAY, BOTH OF YOU! I WANT TO BE LEFT ALONE!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

YOU SEE HOW HE IS? MORBID, MELANCHOLY! HEAVEN KNOWS WHAT HE'LL DO TO HIMSELF SOME DAY! HE LIKES NO ONE! HE LIKES NOTHING BUT TO BROOD AND BE BITTER ABOUT HIS FATE! SOMETIMES HE LOOKS AT ME AS IF TO SAY, "SEE HOW I AM? YOU DID THIS TO ME!"

BUT IT'S NOT TRUE, MORSE! THE ACCIDENT WAS NOT YOUR FAULT!

I WAS RECKLESS AND ARROGANT IN THOSE DAYS! I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN EVERY PRECAUTION WITH MY WIFE AND YOUNG SON IN THE CAR WITH ME!

NONSENSE! IT WAS LIABE TO HAPPEN TO ANYBODY!

"NO, NOT TO ANYBODY! BUT ONLY TO ME! WE WERE RETURNING FROM A VACATION! THERE WAS A LOT OF FOG, AND I HAD NO BUSINESS GOING OVER THAT MOUNTAIN ROAD! WELL, I ROUNDED A CURVE, NEVER DREAMING WHAT WAS ON THE OTHER SIDE! BEFORE I COULD DO ANYTHING...

H...HEY! LOOK OUT!

AAGH!

"I STILL SEE THE SIGHT IN MY DREAMS! THE TRUCK DRIVER DEAD OVER HIS WHEEL! MY WIFE, EDNA, DEAD, TRAPPED INSIDE THE OVERTURNED CAR! MY LITTLE SON, ARTHUR, LYING ON THE GROUND BY THE WRECKAGE..."

A. ARTHUR! ARTHUR! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? SPEAK TO ME, ARTHUR!

D...OAOOY... I CAN'T MOVE MY LEGS!

YES, I OWE THAT BOY EVERY THING! I OWE HIM A MOTHER'S LOVE! I OWE HIM LIFE ITSELF, BECAUSE IT WAS I WHO ROBBED HIM OF THE THINGS THAT MAKE LIFE LIVABLE! NOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY I FEEL SO GUILTY? WHY I MUST HELP HIM IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE?

OF COURSE I DO! BUT I KNOW WHAT'S TROUBLING YOUR SON! HE'S TIRED OF MUSIC AND PAINTING! HE'S TIRED OF READING AND THINKING! ARTHUR WANTS SOMETHING ELSE!

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MORSE, YOU'RE STILL THINKING OF ARTHUR AS A LITTLE BOY! BUT ARTHUR IS TWENTY-FOUR NOW—HEALTHY EXCEPT FOR HIS LIMBS! BREAD ALONE, BOOKS ALONE, NURSING ALONE, CAN'T MAKE HIM HAPPY!

YOU MEAN ARTHUR CRAVES LOVE? THE LOVE OF A WOMAN?

SOMETHING LIKE THAT! NATURALLY YOU CAN'T GO SHOPPING FOR AN OBJECT OF LOVE AS YOU MIGHT A TOOTHBRUSH OR A POUND OF ONIONS! ARTHUR IS A VERY UNHAPPY YOUTH—BUT I CAN'T SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP HIM IN THIS CASE, MORSE!

I SUPPOSE NOT! STILL, I MUST GET ANOTHER NURSE! CAN YOU RECOMMEND ANYBODY, DOCTOR?

I'LL KEEP AN EYE OPEN, MORSE! I THINK YOUR SON WILL OPEN UP MORE TO A WARM, PERSONABLE NURSE THAN ALL THE EFFICIENT ONES PUT TOGETHER!

ANYTHING YOU CAN DO, DOCTOR, WILL BE APPRECIATED! THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF ARTHUR KEEPS ON BEING MELANCHOLY!

A FEW DAYS LATER...

MR. MORSE, A DR. FIELDS IS ON THE PHONE! HE SAYS IT'S VERY IMPORTANT!

THANK YOU, MISS EASTHAM! I'LL TAKE THE CALL IN MY PRIVATE OFFICE...

LEATHER GOODS

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, DOCTOR! I JUST COULDN'T SPEAK FREELY IN MY OUTER OFFICE! I DON'T WANT STRANGERS TO KNOW ABOUT ARTHUR!

MORSE, I THINK I'VE FOUND SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP US! QUITE THE MOST CHARMING NURSE I'VE EVER MET! SHE'S WILLING TO TAKE THE JOB, AND AT THE USUAL SALARY! I'LL SEND HER TO YOUR HOME IMMEDIATELY!

I'M MARJORIE LEIGH! DR. FIELDS SENT ME!

MISS LEIGH, IF YOU CAN HELP MY SON, YOU WON'T FIND ME NIGGARDY IN MY GRATITUDE! MY SON MEANS THE WORLD TO ME! I LIVE ONLY FOR HIS HAPPINESS!

ARTHUR IS CONFINED TO A WHEEL CHAIR! HE NEVER GOES OUT! HE HAS NO FRIENDS—HE READS, HE PAINTS, PLAYS THE PIANO, WRITES... ALL THE PURSUITS OF A LONELY MAN!

OF A CLEVER, ACCOMPLISHED MAN! I'M VERY ANXIOUS TO MEET YOUR SON, MR. MORSE!

ARTHUR, PLEASE OPEN THE DOOR! I WANT YOU TO MEET SOMEBODY—YOUR NEW NURSE, MISS LEIGH!

I DON'T NEED A NURSE! I DON'T NEED ANYBODY! GO AWAY AND LEAVE ME ALONE!

YOU SEE HOW IT IS? THE YOUNG FOOL BARRICADES HIMSELF IN HIS ROOM, REFUSES TO COME OUT OR SEE ANYBODY!

LET HIM ALONE, MR. MORSE! YOU WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT HIM! LET YOUR SON GET AROUND TO THINGS NATURALLY! HE'LL COME OUT, NEVER FEAR! AS FOR MYSELF—I'LL ARRANGE TO MEET HIM INFORMALLY, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER..

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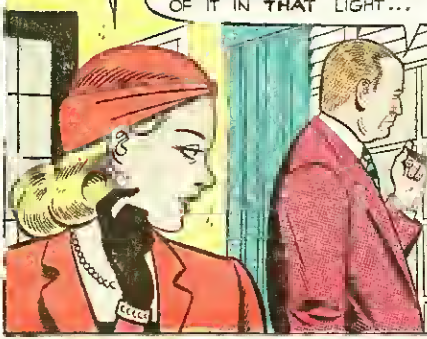
YOUR SON IS MISERABLE BECAUSE HE IS CONSTANTLY BEING REMINDED ABOUT HIS CRIPPLED CONDITION! BUT IF WE CAN WORK OUT A SCHEME WHEREBY HE HELPS SOMEONE ELSE IN TROUBLE, WHERE HE IS THE STRONG PARTY FOR A CHANGE, HE WILL GET RID OF HIS MENTAL DEPRESSION! YOUR SON WANTS TO BE NEEDED— TO DO THINGS FOR OTHERS!

PERHAPS— I HADN'T THOUGHT OF IT IN THAT LIGHT...

WE'VE GOT TO MAKE YOUR SON FEEL LIKE A HERO! LET HIM COME TO SOMEBODY'S RESCUE, AND HE'LL FEEL THAT HE'S NOT AS USELESS AS HE THINKS! MR. MORSE, IS THERE A LARGE, WELL-TRAINED DOG IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Y—YES! THERE'S A FARMER NAMED ALLISTER DOWN THE ROAD WHO OWNS A GREAT DANE! THE DOG IS AS GENTLE AND OBEDIENT INSIDE AS AS HE APPEARS FIERCE OUTSIDE! BUT I DON'T THINK HE'LL!

YOUR SON IS GOING TO RESCUE ME FROM THE RAVENING JAWS OF A MAD DOG! WHAT HAVE WE GOT TO LOSE, MR. MORSE?



ARE YOU SURE THE DOG WON'T HURT EITHER OF THEM?

POSITIVE! HE'S WELL-TRAINED AND OBEDIENT! BESIDES, ONLY A DOG'S EARS CAN PICK UP THE FREQUENCY SIGNAL OF THIS WHISTLE! THE MOMENT JUPITER HEARS MY WHISTLE, HE'LL STOP CHASING MISS LEIGH!

EVERYTHING WILL WORK OUT JUST FINE, MR. MORSE!

ALL RIGHT, ALLISTER, SLIP THE LEASH! THE GIRL IS CLOSE TO THE HOUSE! ARE YOU SURE HE DOESN'T BITE?

POSITIVE! MOST OF HIS TEETH ARE GONE, ANYWAY! ALL RIGHT, JUPITER! SIC HER!

H-HELP! HELP! THERE'S A MAD DOG AFTER ME!

A WOMAN'S VOICE!

GRR! WOOF! WOOF!



H-HELP! OH, PLEASE HELP ME! GET HIM AWAY FROM ME...

ALLISTER'S HOUND! I NEVER THOUGHT HE WAS VICIOUS! THE POOR GIRL'S FRIGHTENED OUT OF HER WITS!

HOLD ON, MISS! I'M COMING! I'LL HELP YOU!

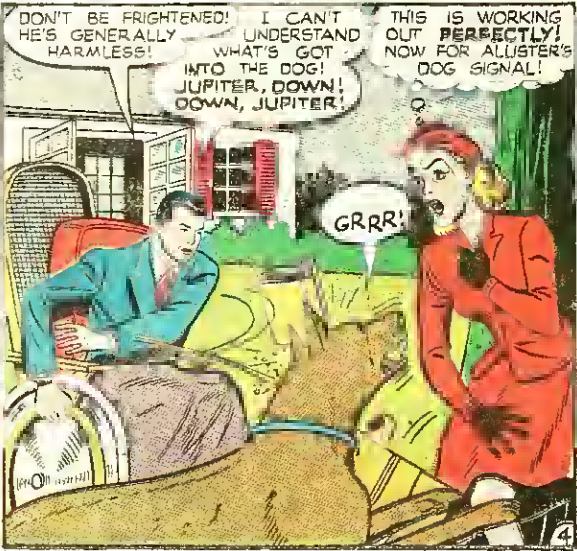
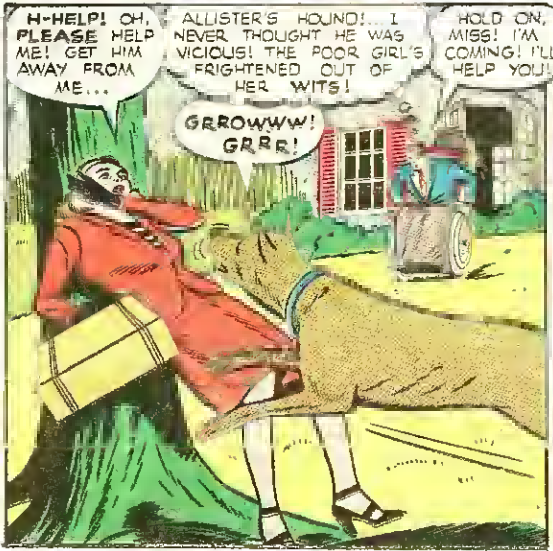
DON'T BE FRIGHTENED! HE'S GENERALLY HARMLESS!

THIS IS WORKING OUT PERFECTLY! NOW FOR ALLISTER'S DOG SIGNAL!

GRROWW! GRRR!

WHAT'S GOT INTO THE DOG! JUPITER, DOWN! DOWN, JUPITER!

GRRR!



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HERE COMES THE DOG! THE PLAN WORKED PERFECTLY! THAT MISS LEIGH HAS A FINE HEAD ON HER SHOULDERS! LET'S HOPE SHE'S EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL WITH THE SECOND PART OF HER PLAN!

GOSH! I...I...FEEL DIZZY! I T-THINK I'M GOING TO FAINT...

HERE! LEAN AGAINST ME FOR A SECOND! YOU'LL GET BACK ON YOUR FEET A LOT SOONER THAN I'LL GET BACK ON MINE! WHAT WERE YOU DOING AROUND HERE?

I'D BEEN HIRED AS A NURSE BY A MR. MORSE. BUT IT SEEMS HIS SON HAS OTHER IDEAS! SO I LEFT! SUDDENLY, AN IMMENSE HOUND APPEARED OUT OF NOWHERE AND ATTACKED ME! IF NOT FOR YOU, HEAVEN KNOWS WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED! ONLY A BRAVE MAN COULD HAVE DONE WHAT YOU DID!

NONSENSE! I COULDN'T SIT BY IDLY AND LET THE BEAST MAUL YOU!

ARTHUR! WHAT HAPPENED? I HEARD SCREAMS!

MISS LEIGH! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE WITH MY SON?

Y-YOUR SON? THE ONE WHO WOULDN'T SEE ME? THE ONE WHO SENT ME AWAY? B-BUT HE JUST SAVED MY LIFE! HE CAN'T BE THE SAME PERSON WHO SPOKE SO IMPOLITELY THROUGH THE DOOR!

ER...IT WAS ALL A MISTAKE, MISS LEIGH! HAD I KNOWN... ER...I MEAN, MOST OF THE PREVIOUS NURSES WERE NOTHING LIKE YOU...

I'M AFRAID I WAS VERY UNREASONABLE. MISS LEIGH! YOU MAY STAY IF YOU WANT TO!

VERY WELL, MISS LEIGH! THEN YOU START IN AT ONCE!

I WANT TO, MR. MORSE.

DR. FIELDS WAS RIGHT ABOUT THIS NURSE! SHE IS INGENUOUS! SHE CERTAINLY TAMED ARTHUR IN A MATTER OF MINUTES!

DR. FIELDS? THIS IS MORSE! I WANT TO TELL YOU HOW PLEASED I AM WITH YOUR MISS LEIGH! SHE'S BEEN WITH US ONLY THREE WEEKS AND HAS LITERALLY TRANSFORMED MY SON! YOU SHOULD SEE HIM! NO MORE DEPRESSION OR ILL TEMPER! HE'S ALL SMILES!

I TOLD YOU! THE GIRL IS A HUMAN TONIC! SHE'S A MASTER OF PSYCHOLOGY! SHE'LL PROVIDE THE HUMAN TOUCH THAT'S BEEN MISSING...

INDEED SHE HAS, DOCTOR! ARTHUR HAS COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN HIS INFIRMITY! THERE'S PRACTICALLY NOTHING HE DOESN'T DO NOW-AND WITH ENTHUSIASM!

SERVICE ACE! POINT MATCH!

HA! HA!

SAY THIS IS FUN! I NEVER THOUGHT COOKING WAS LIKE THIS!

WHY, IT'S BEAUTIFUL, ARTHUR-THE MOST BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPE I'VE SEEN YOU DO, YET!

"WHY, HE'S EVEN TAKEN TO USING MARJORIE...ER...I MEAN MISS LEIGH...AS HIS MODEL..."

HOLD THAT, MAJORIE! IT'S PERFECT! JUST BE RELAXED! HE WOULDN'T GIVE HIS NAME!

MR. MORSE, THERE'S A MAN OUTSIDE TO SEE YOU!

I'LL SEE HIM IN THE DRAWING ROOM!

MR. MORSE? OF COURSE-I CAN JUDGE FROM YOUR PROPRIETARY AIR, SIR! I TRUST YOU DON'T MIND MY HAVING MADE MYSELF AT HOME... A VERY NICE HOME IT IS, TOO! VERY COMFORTABLE! YOUR CIGARS ARE EXCELLENT!

I WOULD HAVE PREFERRED THAT YOU WAITED TILL I OFFERED YOU ONE!

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ONE? I RATHER SUSPECTED YOU'D BE STINGY, SO I TOOK THE LIBERTY OF TAKING SEVERAL! THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING! YOU CAN'T GET OFF WITH ONLY A COUPLE OF CIGARS! OH, NO! CIGARS ARE NOT MY NOTION OF PAYING THROUGH THE NOSE!

OF ALL THE COLOSSAL NERVE! WHO THE DEVIL ARE YOU, SIR?

NICHOLAS LEIGH, MARJORIE'S BROTHER! I'VE HAD MY EYE ON THIS LITTLE SET-UP EVER SINCE MARJORIE CAME ON THE JOB! SHE'S DOING TOO MUCH FOR HER SALARY, MR. MORSE! SO I FIGURE YOU OWE ME A LOT IN BACK PAY—SAY, A DOWN PAYMENT OF \$2,000? YOU CAN AFFORD IT EASILY! I KNOW YOUR FINANCIAL STANDING!

WHAT IF I DON'T PAY? WHAT THEN?

OH, YOU'LL PAY! YOUR SON IS IN LOVE WITH MARJORIE! ANYONE CAN SEE THAT! IF I PERSUADE MARJORIE TO LEAVE, YOUR PRECIOUS SON WILL BE WORSE OFF MENTALLY THAN AT ANY TIME BEFORE MY SISTER CAME! YOU SEE, I'VE ALWAYS HAD A STRANGE INFLUENCE OVER MARJORIE! SHE'S ALWAYS DONE WHAT I'VE TOLD HER, WHETHER SHE WANTED TO OR NOT!

GET OUT, BEFORE I CALL THE POLICE!

SURE! I'LL GET OUT—BUT YOU BETTER HAVE \$2,000 WAITING FOR ME TOMORROW NIGHT AT 6 P.M.! I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE IN YOUR SHOES WHEN YOU TELL YOUR SON YOU HAD A CHANCE TO KEEP HIS LADY LOVE AND LET IT SUP FOR TWO GRAND!

H-HOW DOES LEIGH KNOW SO MUCH? I'VE GOT TO HAVE HIM INVESTIGATED IMMEDIATELY!

SURE, MR. MORSE, WE'LL CHECK UP ON LEIGH, BUT IT'LL TAKE TIME! IF YOU CAN AFFORD IT, GIVE LEIGH A THOUSAND! TELL HIM IT WAS ALL YOU COULD RAISE...WE'LL SHADOW HIM FROM THE SECOND HE LEAVES YOUR HOUSE!

LEIGH HAS THE INSTINCTS OF A CRIMINAL! HE KNOWS MY SON WILL GO TO PIECES IF HIS SISTER LEAVES! BUT HE DOESN'T CARE AS LONG AS HE GETS HIS MONEY!

ALL TYPES OF CASES INVESTIGATED GUARANTEED RESULTS

ONLY ONE GRAND? OKAY, MORSE, WE'LL MAKE IT THE FIRST INSTALLMENT! I WANT TWO GRAND A MONTH TILL I TELL YOU TO STOP! THEN MAYBE WE'LL BE EVEN! MAYBE! I WATCHED SONNY BOY PAINT THE LITTLE LADY'S PICTURE OUT ON THE TERRACE THIS MORNING! MY SHARP EARS DISTINCTLY HEARD THE CHIME OF WEDDING BELLS!

YOU'RE CRAZY! MY SON DOESN'T LOVE YOUR SISTER! HE DOESN'T WANT TO MARRY HER! HE'S ONLY GRATEFUL TO HER AS A PATIENT!



DON'T BE STUPID! A BLIND MAN COULD SEE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN! THE CRIPPLE IS GONE ON HER! AND IF YOU'RE SMART, YOU WON'T BUST UP THE ROMANCE! I KNOW TOO MUCH ABOUT HOW ARTIE GOT PARALYZED! I LOOKED IT UP IN THE POLICE RECORDS OF EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO! IT'S A STORY THAT DOESN'T FLATTER YOU, OLD MAN!

W-WHAT DO YOU MEAN? ARTHUR KNOWS ALL ABOUT THE ACCIDENT!

OH, NO, HE DOESN'T! THERE'S A LOT YOU LEFT UNSAID, MORSE! LIKE THE TWO YEARS YOU SPENT IN JAIL! I ALWAYS MAKE A CAREFUL CHECK OF THE GUYS I BLACK-MAIL! THAT AUTO ACCIDENT WASN'T JUST A TRIP IN THE FOG! IT WAS SOMETHING ELSE! SOMETHING THAT WOULD TURN YOUR SON AGAINST YOU FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE, MORSE—SO WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT? DOUGH OR THE LOVE OF YOUR SON? MAKE UP YOUR MIND BY NEXT WEDNESDAY!

THE SCOUNDREL'S GOT ME OVER A BARREL... AND HE KNOWS IT! LEIGH WON'T BE SATISFIED WITH \$25,000, EITHER! HE'LL BE ON MY NECK FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE—I'LL NEVER GET RID OF HIM! HE'LL ALWAYS HOLD A SWORD OVER MY HEAD...



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WELL, HERE'S YOUR REPORT, MR. MORSE! LEIGH'S GOT A POLICE RECORD AS LONG AS YOUR ARM! HE'S VIOLATED EVERY LAW ON THE BOOKS! AND HERE'S AN INTERESTING ITEM—HIS SISTER, MARJORIE, WAS SUSPECTED OF CASING HIS LAST JOB FOR HIM! LEIGH JUST GOT OUT OF STIR FOR THAT JOB!

AND YET—WHY NOT? YOU'VE TOLD ME THAT SIX OUT OF TEN MEMBERS OF THE LEIGH FAMILY WENT TO PRISON! WHY SHOULD MARJORIE BE DIFFERENT? SHE'S VERY CLEVER! MAYBE SHE OPENED MY WALL SAFE AND FOUND THE SECRET PAPERS ABOUT THE ALTO ACCIDENT, AND CONVEYED THEIR CONTENTS TO HER BROTHER!

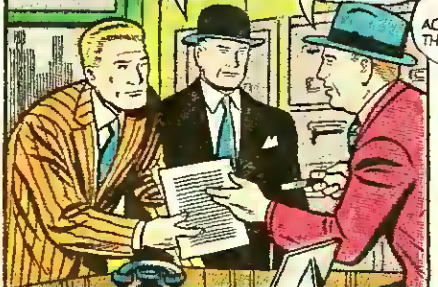
MISTER, IN OUR BUSINESS, ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN! IF YOU WERE SMART, YOU'D FIRE THAT TOMATO JUST TO BE ON THE SAFE SIDE!

YOU WERE AWAY ALL DAY, MR. MORSE, AND THIS IS THE FIRST CHANCE I'VE HAD TO SEE YOU ALONE! MAY I COME IN? I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU!

THAT'S INTERESTING! SO WOULD I! I KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU, MEE LEIGH! I'M WISE TO YOUR GAME! NOW TAKE TWO WEEKS' SALARY AND GET OUT BEFORE I CALL THE POLICE!

IT'S POSSIBLE THEY'RE WORKING AS A TEAM TO SHAKE YOU DOWN, MR. MORSE!

MARJORIE PART OF LEIGH'S SCHEME? I—I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT! SHE'S SUCH A FINE PERSON...



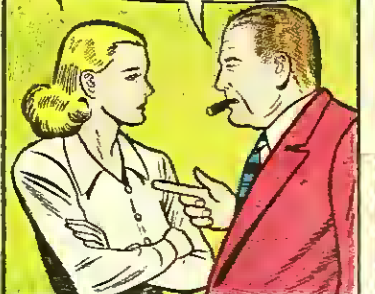
STOP PRETENDING! YOU W-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, MR. MORSE? WHAT'VE THE POLICE GOT TO DO WITH ME? YOU GUESSED WRONG, WHEN YOU SNOOPED AMONG MY PRIVATE PAPERS AND FOUND OUT ABOUT ARTHUR'S ACCIDENT!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT! BUT I DO KNOW I'M INNOCENT, AND I RESENT YOUR ACCUSATIONS, PARTICULARLY SINCE I'M IN LOVE WITH YOUR SON, AND HAVE PROMISED TO MARRY HIM!

MARRY MY SON? YOU—A COMMON CRIMINAL? NEVER! I'LL TELL ARTHUR ALL ABOUT YOU! HOW YOU CASED A BURGLARY JOB FOR YOUR BROTHER! HOW YOU DELIBERATELY WENT ABOUT WINNING HIS AFFECTIONS IN ORDER TO BLACKMAIL ME!

GOOD HEAVENS, MR. MORSE, DON'T CONVICT ME WITHOUT A HEARING! LET ME CONFRONT MY BROTHER! I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HE WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON, BUT I DO KNOW WHERE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM! LET NICHOLAS COME HERE TOMORROW—IF YOU'RE NOT SATISFIED, I PROMISE TO STEP OUT OF ARTHUR'S LIFE! IS THAT FAIR ENOUGH?

VERY WELL! INVITE THAT SCOUNDRELLY BROTHER OF YOURS! I'D LIKE TO SEE TWO THIEVES COME FACE TO FACE!



DID YOU SEE FATHER? WHAT DID HE SAY? I DIDN'T TELL HIM, DEAR! HE WAS VERY BUSY AND I WANTED HIM TO HAVE A PERFECTLY FREE MIND! SUPPOSE WE WAIT TILL TOMORROW NIGHT? THEN WE'LL BOTH TELL HIM THE NEWS...

ANYTHING YOU SAY, DARLING! BUT NO MATTER WHAT FATHER SAYS, NOTHING CAN AFFECT MY LOVE FOR YOU! YOU'RE THE MOST WONDERFUL THING THAT EVER HAPPENED TO ME!

I LOVE YOU SO, ARTHUR!

WELL, WELL! I DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE YOU SO SOON, MORSE! WHAT MADE YOU SEND FOR ME? I GOT A MESSAGE TO COME HERE, BUT THE MESSAGE WASN'T SIGNED.

I DIDN'T SEND FOR YOU, LEIGH! YOUR SISTER DID...

COME OUT ON THE TERRACE, NICHOLAS! I WANT TO TALK TO YOU...



THE FOLLOWING DAY.

CRIME DOES NOT PAY

HOW NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN, MARJORIE! THERE'S A BLOOM IN YOUR CHEEKS I NEVER SAW BEFORE! WHAT CAN IT BE?

ANGER! YOU AND I MUST HAVE A SHOW-DOWN!

WHIM! THAT ARM ABOUT HER CAN BE MISINTERPRETED BY SOMEONE WHO DIDN'T KNOW THAT MARJORIE HAD A BROTHER! MAYBE I CAN NIP THIS THING IN THE BUD WHILE THEY'RE OUT TALKING!

YOU SENT FOR ME, FATHER?

YES! MARJORIE TOLO ME OF YOUR LOVE FOR HER-OF YOUR DESIRE TO MARRY HER! WELL, I REFUSED TO GRANT MY PERMISSION BECAUSE, FOR INSTANCE, OF WHAT'S HAPPENING OUT THERE ON THE TERRACE! TAKE A LOOK!

STEP OUT OF MY LIFE, NICK! YOU DID ME ENOUGH HARM BY ROBBING THE LUCAS FAMILY WHEN I KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT! I LOVE THIS BOY! GIVE ME A BREAK! DON'T MAKE TROUBLE WITH HIS FATHER!

SORRY, KID BUT MR. MORSE IS A GOLD MINE! WORK YOUR END OF IT AND YOU'LL GET A SPLIT.

MARJORIE HAS A LOVER- AN EX-COINCT!

NICK, I'M WARNING YOU! ARTHUR MEANS EVERYTHING TO ME! I WON'T LET YOU DESTROY MY LIFE! YOU'RE GOING TO LEAK OUT OR TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES!

HA! HA! SO LITTLE MARJORIE'S REALLY BEEN BITTEN BY THE LOVE BUG? WELL, SO HAVE I! I FELL IN LOVE WITH THE MONEY I'M MILKING MORSE FOR- AND NOTHING, NOBODY WILL STOP ME! GOT THAT, BABY SISTER?

MARJORIE COMES FROM A FAMILY OF CRIMINALS! SHE'S BEEN MIXED UP WITH THE LAW HERSELF! I WON'T LET YOU MARRY HER, ARTHUR!

YOU CAN'T STOP ME, FATHER! WHATEVER MARJORIE'S PAST HAS BEEN, I STILL LOVE HER! AS FOR THIS CONVICT BOY-FRIEND OF MINE, WELL, SOMETHING CAN BE DONE ABOUT THAT, TOO! I'D BE MISERABLE TO GIVE UP THE ONE I LOVE WITHOUT A FIGHT!

THE BOY'S MAO! CAN'T HE SEE WHAT HE'S LETTING HIMSELF IN FOR? I CAN'T LET HIM MARRY INTO THAT FAMILY!

I HAD A VERY PLEASANT CHAT WITH MARJORIE- BUT IT LEAVES US EXACTLY AS WE WERE BEFORE-- WITH ONE EXCEPTION-- I WANT THREE GRAND TOMORROW NIGHT, MORSE! I'M TAKING A LONG TRIP-- I'LL BE GONE FOR A MONTH AND A HALF!

I'LL HAVE THE MONEY! NOW GET OUT OF HERE! USE THE REAR-- A THIEF NEVER COMES THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR!

SPEAKING OF THIEVES, MORSE, REMEMBER WHAT YOU ROBBED YOUR SON OF-- AND WHY! REMEMBER THAT I KNOW THE TRUE STORY FROM POLICE RECORDS-- A STORY I'LL BE GLAD TO TELL ARTIE BOY, UNLESS I GET THAT THREE GRAND...

ARTHUR! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? I THOUGHT YOU WERE IN YOUR ROOM... --WHAT'S COME OVER YOU, ARTHUR? DON'T YOU LOVE ME ANY MORE?

GET AWAY FROM ME, PLEASE!

OF COURSE I LOVE YOU! ENOUGH TO KILL FOR YOU!

WHAT'S ARTHUR TALKING ABOUT?

I-- I DON'T KNOW!

CRIME DOES NOT PAY

THE NEXT NIGHT...

...2,800, 2,900, 3,000! YEP-IT'S ALL HERE, MORSE! YOU'RE A MAN OF SENSE, AFTER ALL! YOU WANT TO KEEP THAT SECRET FROM YOUR SON IN THE WORST WAY, EH? HEH, HEH, I DON'T BLAME YOU, MORSE!

GET OUT, LEIGH!
DON'T SHOW YOUR SCURVY HIDE AROUND HERE FOR SIX WEEKS, OR I'LL KILL YOU!

HMM...IT WOULD HAVE TO RAIN CATS AND DOGS! WELL, I'VE GOT ENOUGH DOUGH NOW! I CAN MILK MORSE'S SECRET FOR LIFE! LET'S SEE-I'LL TAKE THIS SHORT CUT TO TOWN!

H...HEY!
I...N...NO! NO!
YEEAHGHH...

I SAW THE DEAD MAN GO FROM THE DIRECTION OF MR. MORSE'S HOUSE! THEN I HEARD A SCREAM! BY THE TIME I GOT UP HERE, HE WAS LYING LIKE THAT—**DEAD!**

HE'S DEAD AS A DOORNAIL! AND I DOUBT IF IT WAS A MUGGING! THE CORPSE LOOKS DOWN AND OUT—NOT A CENT ON HIM!

CHIEF—LOOK! WHOEVER MADE THOSE FOOTPRINTS **RAKED THEM OUT!**

WE'LL CHECK AT THE MORSE HOUSE AND SEE IF THERE'S A RAKE STILL WET WITH MUD!

HERE IT IS, CHIEF! WHOEVER BUMPED OFF THAT TRAMP IS IN THE MORSE HOUSE!

ACCORDING TO MY INFORMATION, ANY ONE OF YOU COULD HAVE SLIPPED OUT TO MURDER NICHOLAS LEIGH WITHOUT THE OTHERS KNOWING!

I'M SURE LEIGH WAS MUGGED AND ROBBED! YOU SEE, I'D JUST GIVEN HIM \$3,000 IN SHAKE-DOWN MONEY! I WAS AFRAID THAT LEIGH WOULD TELL ARTHUR A SECRET I'D CONCEALED FOR YEARS—A SECRET THAT WOULD MAKE ARTHUR HATE ME!

BUT IT'S TIME THE TRUTH WAS KNOWN! MY WIFE WAS KILLED, AND MY SON PARALYZED, BECAUSE I WAS DRUNK WHILE DRIVING AND SPEEDING AROUND CURVES AT SIXTY-FIVE MILES AN HOUR! I COULDN'T HAVE DESTROYED MY SON MORE COMPLETELY IF I HAD INJURED HIM DELIBERATELY! I WENT TO PRISON FOR IT! LEIGH KNEW OF MY SIN—I WAS AFRAID HE'D EXPOSE ME!

MISS LEIGH WANTED HER BROTHER OUT OF THE WAY FOR FEAR HE'D DESTROY HER MARRIAGE! ARTHUR WAS FOOLED BY HIS FATHER! HE WANTED TO KILL LEIGH, THINKING LEIGH WAS HIS RIVAL...AND I KNOW WHICH ONE OF YOU THREE PEOPLE DID KILL NICHOLAS LEIGH!

WHO DUNNIT?

RANDOLPH MORSE?

MARJORIE LEIGH?

WHO KILLED THE BLACK-MAILING RAT, NICHOLAS LEIGH? IF YOU CANNOT GUESS **WHO DUNNIT**, TURN THE PAGE UPSIDE DOWN FOR THE SOLUTION!

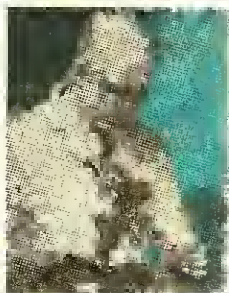
ARTHUR MORSE?

THE END

MR. MORSE, YOU'RE THE KILLER! AN OUTSIDER COULDN'T HAVE BLUDGEONED LEIGH WHO'D SUSPECT A BURN OF HAVING \$3,000? YOUR SON COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT! WE'D HAVE SEEN THE WHEEL MARKS IN THE SOFT RAIN-SOAKED EARTH! THE FOOTPRINTS WE DID FIND WERE CAREFULLY RAKED UP BUT NONE WERE HIGH-HEELLED LIKE A WOMAN'S! WERE MISS LEIGH IN THE HABIT OF GOING BARE-HEADED, OR WITH OFFICER! I CONFESS! ANYWAY, I COULDN'T FACE MY SON, NOW THAT HE DRY! THEN, TOO, SHE KNEW NOTHING OF THE \$3,000! THAT LEAVES ONLY YOU!

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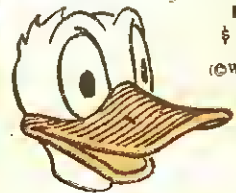


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YOU'RE FUNNIER WITH YOUR OWN

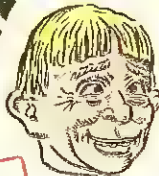
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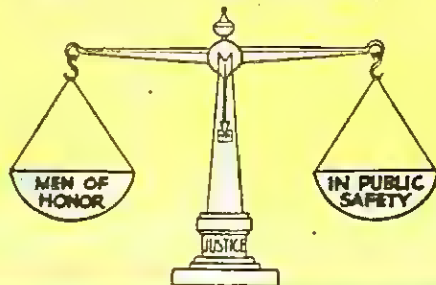
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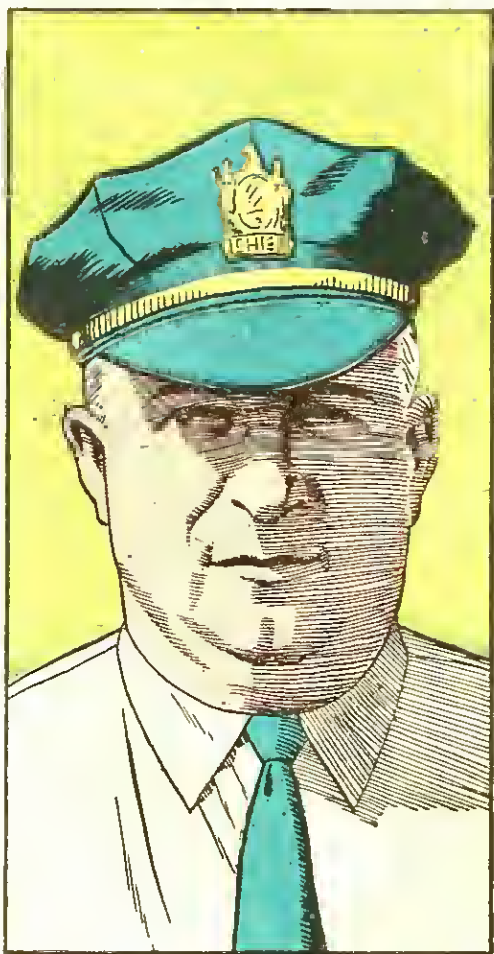
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OUR POLICE HALL OF FAME



CHIEF PATRICK J. CLARKIN
LEONIA, NEW JERSEY



ONE of New Jersey's newest and finest chiefs of police is Patrick J. Clarkin of Leonia. Chief Clarkin, always interested in police work as a youngster, entered the police force in 1926.

One evening Patrick Clarkin was riding with another officer in a patrol car. "It was about four in the morning when I noticed a man carrying a five-gallon can of gas down the road," Chief Clarkin said. "This didn't seem unusual, since he probably had run out of gas. I didn't give it another thought, and we continued our patrolling. Not more than forty-five minutes later, we received an alarm to go to the fire-house. As we approached, we found the building in flames. It took the fire department a couple of hours to extinguish the flames. Throughout this period, I kept on scouting around."

Although the general feeling was that the fire was probably started by some accident, Clarkin was suspicious. "Maybe it was because I had seen that man with the gasoline," he said, "but for some strange reason I was convinced that this was arson. As soon as the fire was out, we searched through the remains, but found nothing to indicate that this was an arsonist's job. I decided to keep hunting for some clue. The sun was up by this time, and I could now see what I was doing. Just as I was about to leave, I noticed a metallic glitter behind some bushes. It was the cap from a can! This was what I was looking for." Chief Clarkin went to a nearby garage and matched the cap he had found with those of five-gallon cans of gasoline.

"Now, of course, I was pretty sure that the fire had been set by an arsonist—possibly by the

man carrying the five-gallon can of gas. My real problem was finding this man. Although I had no proof of his guilt, I wanted to question him."

For over three weeks Chief Clarkin tried to trace his man. "I checked with all the local gas stations and garages in the hope that he might show up again to buy gas. Finally, one Sunday afternoon, I received a phone call from a garage a few miles outside of town. The owner said that a man had come in to have a five-gallon can of gas filled, and that the can didn't have a top. I told the garage man to stall for a few minutes until I got there."

The garage owner managed to keep the suspect from leaving until Chief Clarkin could get there. "When I arrived, I decided not to question the man directly, but to keep him under observation for a while. I followed him to his home, and then the vigil began."

This vigil was a long one, but eventually proved fruitful. For six days and nights, Chief Clarkin and his men kept the house and the man under surveillance. Finally, early one morning, they got a break.

"At about three in the morning, the side door of the house opened and the suspect came out. He was carrying a five-gallon can of gasoline. As soon as he stepped into his car, I turned my motor on and proceeded to follow him. With my lights out, I kept on his tail for over an hour. Finally, he came to a stop near a tremendous barn and silo.

"This was it. I got out of my car and followed the suspect. He entered the barn and began spilling some gas about the floor. Before he could reach for a match, I turned my light on him and ordered him to halt. The arsonist was a short man and appeared weak, yet he tackled Clarkin and almost succeeded in over-powering him. "I was surprised by his attack and didn't want to kill him. He jumped at me with a knife in his hand, and for fifteen minutes we rolled around the gasoline-covered floor. Finally, I subdued him, and as quickly as he attacked me, he became limp and surrendered."

For the solution of this case, Clarkin was awarded a medal from the town of Leonia in appreciation of his fine work. But Chief Clarkin is probably best known for his heroic rescue in a fire a few years ago. Late one evening, Chief Clarkin was asleep when some disturbance in the street awakened him. As he looked out of his window he saw smoke and small flames coming from a house across the street. He called fire headquarters and rushed to the flaming home. At the risk of his own life, he entered the house, awakened the family, and carried three children out to safety under his arms. Due to his bravery no one was injured in this disastrous fire, which completely demolished the house.

As a man who has worked his way through the ranks, Chief Clarkin feels that police school-

ing can do a great deal towards helping to decrease crime. "My work on the force for the first few years was, by necessity, a hit and miss proposition. I had to learn entirely by experience, and to a great extent on my own. Today we can train our new officers so that from their very first day on active duty they have the proper background and can do a fine job. Our men today are all trained not only in general police work, but also in specialized fields. They know enough about legal procedure, fingerprinting, and other scientific subjects to perform a real service."

Chief Clarkin has been an instrumental factor in the highly successful Youth Guidance Council of Leonia. Considered one of the best youth set-ups in the state, this group performs an invaluable service to the community. "A young offender is rarely aware of the fact that he has committed a crime," he says. "Mostly, the misdeeds of youngsters take the form of mischief. There is certainly no reason why these children should be brought to a court and put through the ordinary court procedure. This can leave a scar on their whole personality.

"To prevent this, we have organized a Youth Guidance Council which has authority over all youth cases. It's not like a juvenile court, but is really a guidance group. Representatives of schools and police departments, and religious and civic leaders are all members. They meet to discuss the guidance of young offenders and of the youth of the town as a whole. By working with the parents and finding out the cause for each particular misdeed, we are generally able to straighten out the youngster." The success of this program has really been outstanding, and many cities throughout the country are using organizations patterned after the one in Leonia, New Jersey.

After his many years of experience in dealing with offenders of all types, Chief Clarkin believes that very often it is the small, unimportant break that can solve a case. "I always tell my men," he said, "of a seemingly unimportant case a few years back. One afternoon I was in a patrol car at a traffic intersection, making a survey of cars passing through Leonia. I would question every sixth car stopping at the light for general information in connection with the survey. As I approached one automobile and started to question its occupants, they suddenly drove off through the red light at top speed. I gave chase and eventually caught them after they had abandoned the car in the woods. These men were criminals wanted in three states for burglary and other crimes."

Chief Clarkin is a policeman's policeman. Serving diligently and with quiet efficiency, he has compiled an enviable record. By devoting his life to police work, he has done his part to make his community a better place to live.

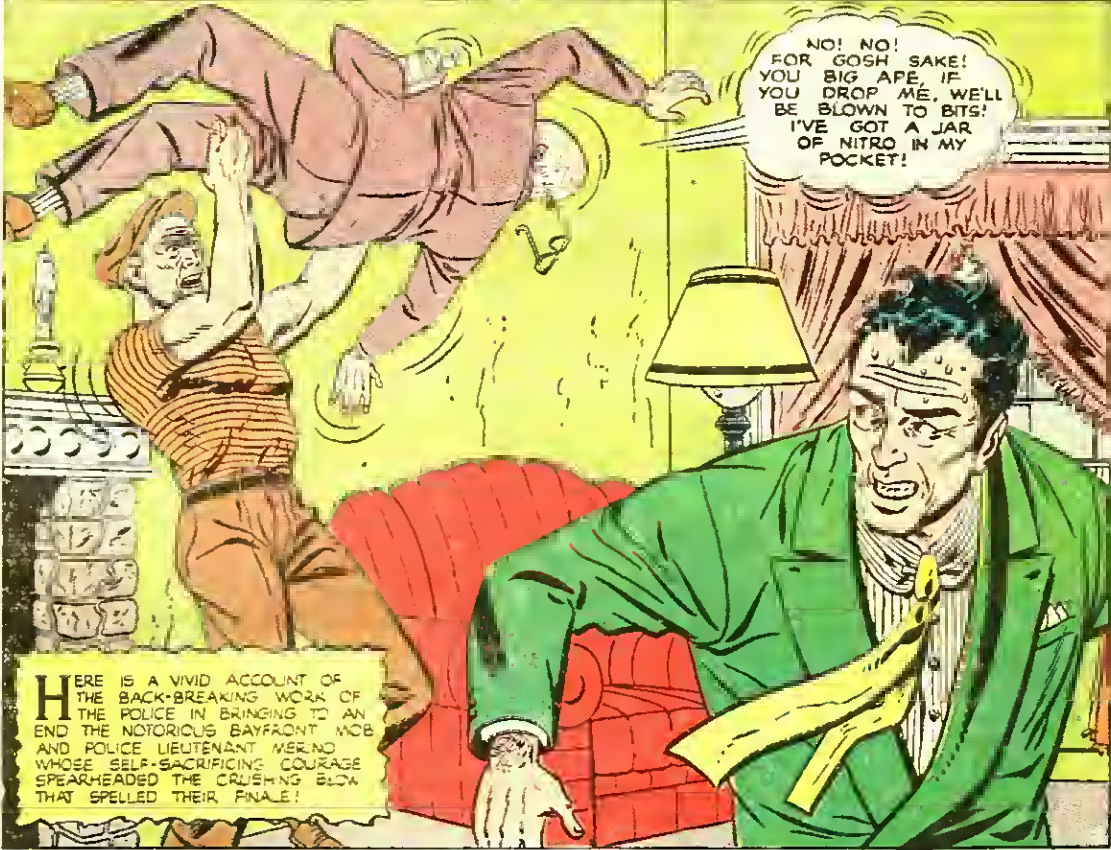
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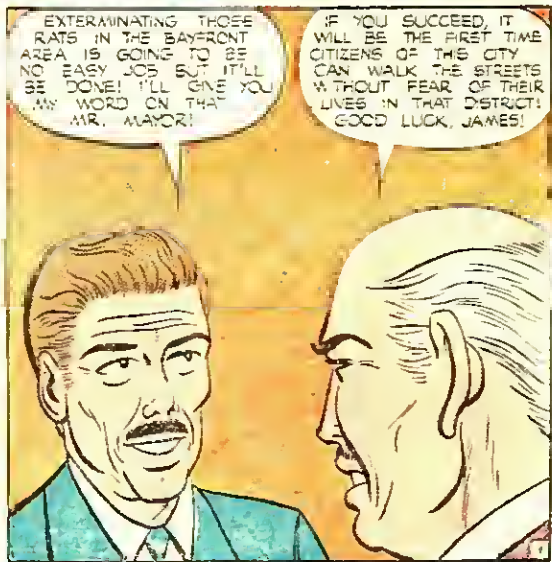


THE AMBITIOUS FRANK HARDY

HIS SIGHTS WERE SET ON LEADING THE NOTORIOUS BAY FRONT GANG, BUT THE OBSTACLES HE MET WERE MORE THAN HE BARGAINED FOR!



HERE IS A VIVID ACCOUNT OF THE BACK-BREAKING WORK OF THE POLICE IN BRINGING TO AN END THE NOTORIOUS BAYFRONT MOB AND POLICE LIEUTENANT MERNO WHOSE SELF-SACRIFICING COURAGE SPEARHEADED THE CRUSHING BLOW THAT SPELLED THEIR FINALE!



CRIME DOES NOT PAY

LIEUTENANT, I JUST GOT A TIP FROM ONE OF THOSE SATURDAY NIGHT RUMPOUS! THE BAYFRONT HOTEL IS GOING TO PLAY HOST TO A MEETING OF INSURANCE MEN! SOUNDS SCREWY, DOESN'T IT?

WOW! YOU SAID A MOUTHFUL, MERINO! NO SELF-RESPECTING ORGANIZATION OF GARTER SNAKES WOULD USE THAT DUMP FOR A CONVENTION! WOULD YOU LIKE TO FOLLOW IT UP?

HE'LL PASS FOR A TRAMP, ALL RIGHT! WATCH YOUR STEP, MERINO! IT'LL MEAN CURTAINS IF THEY GET WISE TO YOU!

HOW DO I LOOK?

THIS IS THE HOTTEST LEAD ON THAT MOB, YET! COME THROUGH, MERINO, AND I'LL PROMOTE YOU TO CAPTAIN, AND THAT GOES FOR YOU, TOO, LIEUTENANT!

COINCIDENT WITH THE POLICE SERGEANT'S TIP-OFF, THE CRIME WAVE WHICH INCLUDED BURGLARIES, STICK-UPS, MUGGINGS, ETC., HAD SUDDENLY SUBSIDED IN THE WHOLE BAYFRONT DISTRICT! THE REASON WAS OBVIOUS!

THE BIG BOSS COULDN'T MAKE IT, AS YOU KNOW, BUT HE SENT US A MESSAGE ON THIS RECORD HE WANTS US TO HEAR!

OH, YEAH? WHAT'S THE MATTER? AIN'T WE GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM?

I'VE BEEN IN THIS MOB FOR TWO YEARS AND I STILL HAVEN'T SEEN WHAT THE BIG SHOT LOOKS LIKE! WHEN ARE WE GOING TO MEET HIM?

I HEAR HE RIDES AROUND IN FANCY YACHTS!

YOU'RE RIGHT, HE LIKES OUR DOUGH, BUT HE DOESN'T LIKE OUR COMPANY, I GUESS! LET'S HEAR WHAT HIS HIGHNESS HAS TO SAY!

THIS IS YOUR GOOD FRIEND, MR. GOODFRIEND! I'VE BEEN HEARING THERE'S A COUPLE OF WISE GUYS IN THIS ORGANIZATION, AND TO THEM, I'M GOING TO SAY RIGHT NOW—IF YOU DON'T LIKE THIS SETUP, GET OUT! THE FIFTY PER CENT YOU KICK IN IS SMALL PAYMENT FOR DOING YOUR THINKING, AND WHAT I SAID BEFORE, STILL GOES! IF WE STICK TOGETHER, WE'LL BE RUNNING THIS CITY, AND MAYBE THE STATE!

THAT AFTERNOON, AT THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE OF CHIEF ROY JAMES OF THE BENTERTON POLICE...

THAT LEAD PAID OFF, CHIEF! ALMOST EVERY CROOK IN TOWN WAS AT A MEETING IN THE OLD BAYFRONT HOTEL! DISGUISED MYSELF IN THESE OLD CLOTHES WORKED! THEY THINK I'M ONE OF THEM! THEY'RE HAVING ANOTHER MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT!

GOOD, SERGEANT! WHAT DID YOU FIND OUT? HAVE YOU GOT ENOUGH TO RAID IT ON?

I LEARNED THAT A YOUNG TOUGHIE NAMED FRANK HARDY GAVE THEM A LECTURE ON MUGGING AND HOLD-UP TECHNIQUES!

WE'RE GOING TO SMOKE THOSE RATS OUT BEFORE THEY GET A CHANCE TO GRADUATE FROM THAT SCHOOL OF CRIME! SERGEANT, GET EVERY PROWL CAR IN TOWN DOWN TO THE BAYFRONT HOTEL AT ONCE!

YES, SIR!

CRIME DOES NOT PAY

MEANWHILE, IN A ROOM AT THE BAYFRONT HOTEL, A LONG, DESERTED TWO-STORY BUILDING FACING SAN MADERO BAY...

CALLING ALL CARS... GO TO BAYFRONT HOTEL AT ONCE... AWAIT ARRIVAL OF CHIEF JAMES? LET NO ONE LEAVE BUILDING! REPEAT...

HARDY DID YOU HEAR THAT? THEY MEAN THIS PLACE!

AND YOU GUYS WANTED TO KNOW WHY I KEPT THAT THING TUNED INTO POLICE CALLS! THERE'S YOUR ANSWER!



HEY, OTTO, GET UP! WE'RE GONNA BE RAIDED!

HUH...OH, I'M COMIN' FRANK!



I'D LIKE TO GET MY MITTS ON THE STOOLE THAT TIPPED THE COPS ABOUT US HOLDING UP IN THIS PLACE!

IT MIGHT'VE BEEN ANYONE OF FIFTY GUYS AT THAT STUPID MEETING!



NUTS! IT DIDN'T TAKE THEM COPS LONG TO GET HERE! C'MON! WE'VE GOT TO BLAST OUR WAY OUT!

NO! WAIT! DON'T BE A SUCKER! WE WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE! I KNOW WHAT - FOLLOW ME!



WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THEY WONT FIND US DOWN HERE, HARDY?

SHUT UP, NICK! I SAID I'D GET YOU OUT! AND I WILL!



HAVE YOU GONE NUTS OR SOMETHING? THAT TRUNK WON'T HOLD ONE OF US!

SHUT UP, WILL YOU? IT'S A TRAP DOOR! IT'S ALWAYS BEEN HERE! IT WAS MY OWN IDEA! THERE'S A LOCK INSIDE! GET IN!



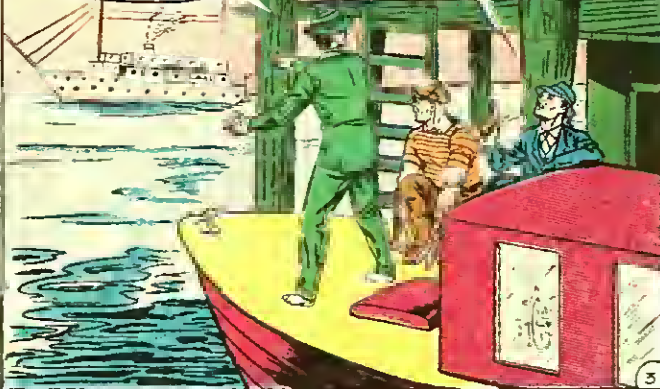
OKAY, HARDY - SO WE MAKE A GETAWAY THIS TIME! MAYBE NEXT TIME WE WON'T BE SO LUCKY! GOODFRIEND GETS FIFTY PER CENT OF THE JOBS WE PULL, BUT WHERE'S THE PROTECTION WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE GETTING? WHY DO WE HAVE TO KEEP RUNNING?

THAT'S WHAT I'M THINKING! WELL, IT'S GOIN' TO BE CHANGED, AND QUICK!



THAT'S WHERE OUR DOUGH'S BEEN GOING - TO BUY A FANCY TUB FOR A HEEL NAMED NELSON GOODFRIEND! FROM NOW ON WE'RE THROUGH KEERIN' HIM IN LUXURY!

SAVE THE SPEECHES TILL WE SEE THE PUSSY-FOOTIN' PIG!



CRIME DOES NOT PAY

AT THE SAME MOMENT, THE POLICE WERE RAIDING ACCORDING TO PLAN...

NO SIGN OF 'EM, MERINO!

THEY LAMMED OUT - KNEW WE WERE COMING! THEY HAD A RADIO UPSTAIRS TUNED IN TO POLICE CALLS! THERE WAS A POKER GAME GOING ON!



THEY COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN OUT OF THE PLACE - WE SAW 'EM DUCK BACK INSIDE JUST AS WE ARRIVED - AND THE HOTEL IS SURROUNDED!

LET'S SEE IF THERE'S A CELLAR BELOW HERE! IF THOSE CUTTHROATS GET AWAY, I'LL SET US BACK FOR MONTHS!



THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY BACK WAY OUT!

YOU'RE RIGHT! THAT STONE ROOM IS A DEAD END, UNLESS THEY HAVE A SECRET PANEL OR TWO!



I THINK WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME DOWN HERE, BUT THOSE GUYS ARE STILL IN THE BUILDING! WE'LL GET 'EM IF WE HAVE TO TEAR THE PLACE DOWN!

WHEW! THIS OLD TRUNK MUST BE LOADED WITH ROCKS!



THAT'S FUNNY - THE TRUNK SAID LOCKED - BUT THE LD WON'T OPEN! AND I CAN'T BUDGE IT!

THAT'S ODD! WA - LET'S GIVE IT A THREE-MAN HEAVE HO!



WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT! WHO-EVER THOUGHT OF THIS IS A SUCK ARTICLE!

SURE - LIKE A RATTLESNAKE! I'M GOING DOWN THERE, CHIEF!

WE'RE ALL GOING, MERINO! KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN!



SEVERAL MINUTES LATER...

THERE'S OUR ANSWER, CHIEF - UNLESS I MISS MY GUESS, THEY LIT OUT IN THAT LAUNCH AS SOON AS THEY SPOTTED US!

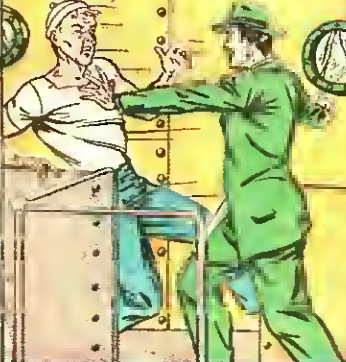
LET'S GET BACK UPSTAIRS, CAPTAIN! I'M GOING TO GET A POLICE HARBOR BOAT OUT THERE!



ABOARD THE CABIN CRUISER "WESTWIND" ...

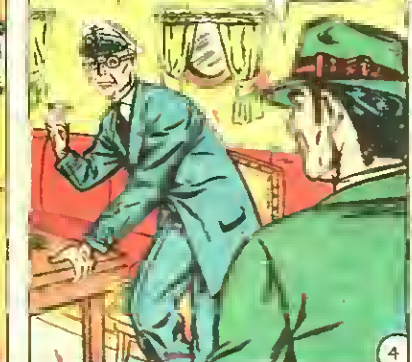
TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT - I'LL ASK MR. GOOD-FRIEND IF HE'LL SEE YOU!

GET OUT OF OUR WAY! WE'LL ANNOUNCE OURSELVES!

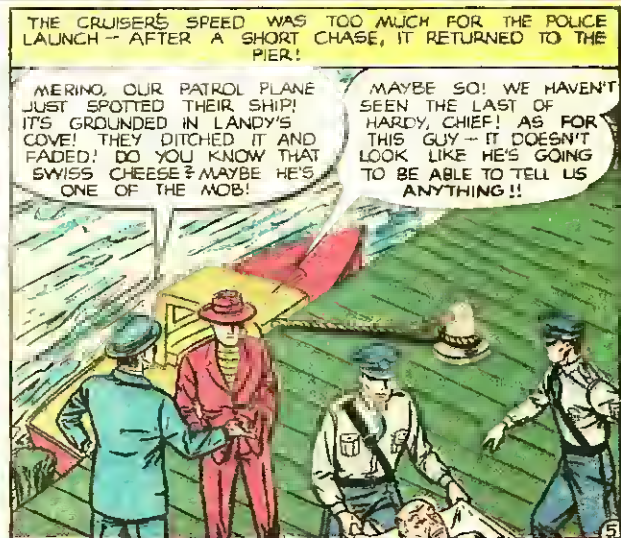


WHAT'S TH' IDEA, HARDY? I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU NEVER TO COME ABOARD THIS BOAT!

YOU AREN'T GIVING ANY MORE ORDERS, NELSON! ME AN' THE BOYS DON'T LIKE TH' DEAL WE'VE BEEN GETTING, SO WE'RE GONNA CHANGE IT!



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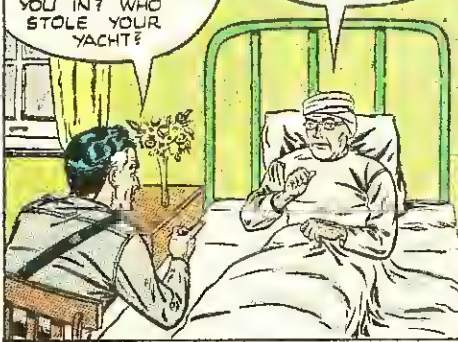


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BUT THE DEPOSED KINGPIN OF CRIME WAS DESTINED TO SURPRISE THE POLICE! LATER IN SAN MADERO HOSPITAL...

YOU'RE LUCKY, MR. GOODFRIEND! THE DOCTOR TELLS ME YOU'RE GOING TO LIVE! WHAT ABOUT THE MEN WHO TRIED TO DO YOU IN? WHO STOLE YOUR YACHT?

HUH, SERGEANT? I DON'T NEED ANY HELP FROM THE POLICE! I'LL TAKE CARE OF THOSE PUNKS MY OWN WAY!



LOOK HERE, MISTER! WE'RE NOT INTERESTED IN GETTING REVENGE FOR YOU— AND IF YOU TRY TO TAKE THE LAW INTO YOUR OWN HANDS...

YOU'RE UPSETTING ME, COPPER! I'M A SICK MAN! NOW BEAT IT, WILL YOU? NURSE, NURSE!



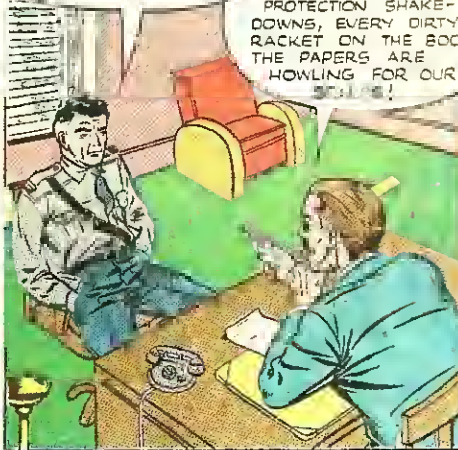
GET THIS COP OUT OF HERE, NURSE! I FEEL A LITTLE FAINT!

SERGEANT, PLEASE...



THAT GOODFRIEND IS A BAD ONE, CHIEF! HE ALL BUT SAID HE KNEW WHO TRIED TO KILL HIM!

MERINO, IN JUST THE LAST FEW DAYS THE COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN POURING IN... HOLDUPS... PROTECTION SHAKEDOWNS, EVERY DIRTY RACKET ON THE BOOKS! THE PAPERS ARE HOWLING FOR OUR SKINS!



ALSO— A LOT OF INNOCENT PEOPLE HAVE BEEN GETTING HURT! IT'S GOING TO PUT AN END TO THIS DIRTY BUSINESS IF WE HAVE TO TEAR DOWN EVERY BUILDING ON THE WATERFRONT!



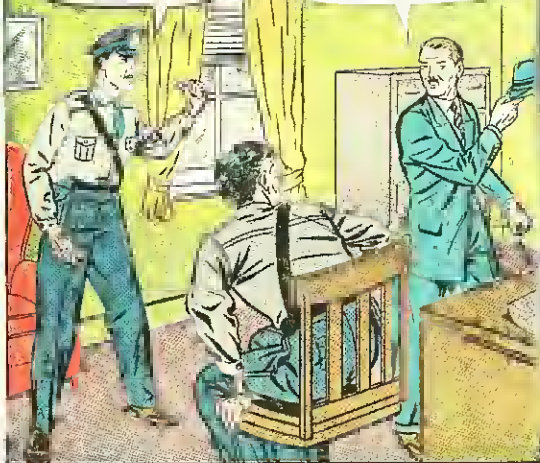
CHIEF, A BANK MESSENGER WAS HELD UP AND SHOT! HE WASN'T HURT BAD, THOUGH— THE THUGS DUCKED INTO A HOUSE WHEN A PROWL CAR SHOWED UP! THEY'RE STILL IN THERE!

WHERE WAS THAT, WILLIAMS?



THE MESSENGER SAYS THE HOUSE IS NEXT TO THE BAY-FRONT HOUSE!

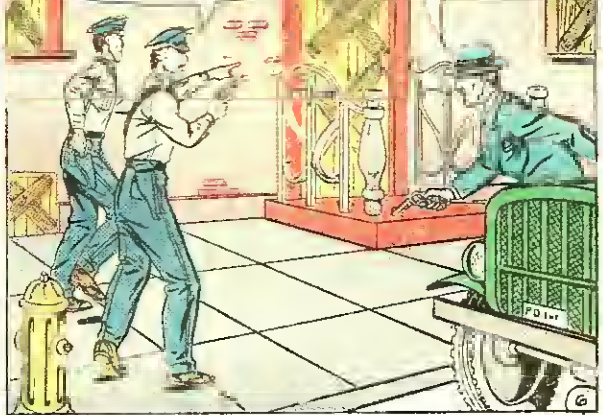
WHAT? THAT PLACE AGAIN! COME ON, MERINO! MAYBE WE'LL NAIL 'EM THIS TIME!



FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER...

CHIEF, WE GOT A PUNCH-UP WAY TO GO DOWN TO THE CELLAR IN THE BARRON BUILDING AGAIN!

I GET IT, MERINO! OKAY, AND I'LL TAKE A COUPLE OF MEN INTO THAT HOUSE THE MOBSTERS ENTERED! LET'S GO!



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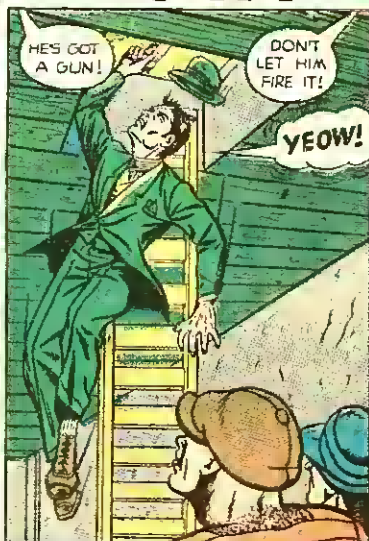


WE'RE JUST GOING TO SIT HERE AND WAIT, BOYS! IF WE TRY TO GO DOWN THERE, HARDY'LL DISAPPEAR AS SOON AS HE HEARS US! LET'S JUST KEEP QUIET AND WATCH THAT TRUNK!



...ALL YOU GUYS DO IS GRIPE! I DIDN'T LIKE BEING ON THE RUN ALL THE TIME, EITHER! HOW DID I KNOW THAT PATROL CAR WOULD COME ALONG?

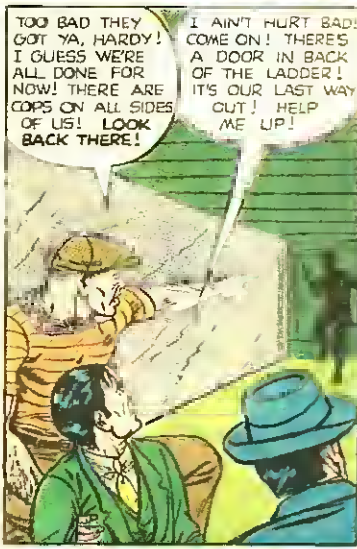
THERE'S HARDY! GRAB HIM!!



HE'S GOT A GUN!

DON'T LET HIM FIRE IT!

YEOW!



TOO BAD THEY GOT YA, HARDY! I GUESS WE'RE ALL DONE FOR NOW! THERE ARE COPS ON ALL SIDES OF US! LOOK BACK THERE!

I AIN'T HURT BAD! COME ON! THERE'S A DOOR IN BACK OF THE LADDER! IT'S OUR LAST WAY OUT! HELP ME UP!



I THINK WE WINGED HARDY, CHIEF, BUT WE COULDN'T FOLLOW HIM DOWN! THEY'D HAVE PICKED US OFF IF WE DID!

YES, I KNOW—BLAST THE LUCK! HE AND MOST OF THE OTHERS GOT AWAY AGAIN!



LATER, AT HEADQUARTERS...

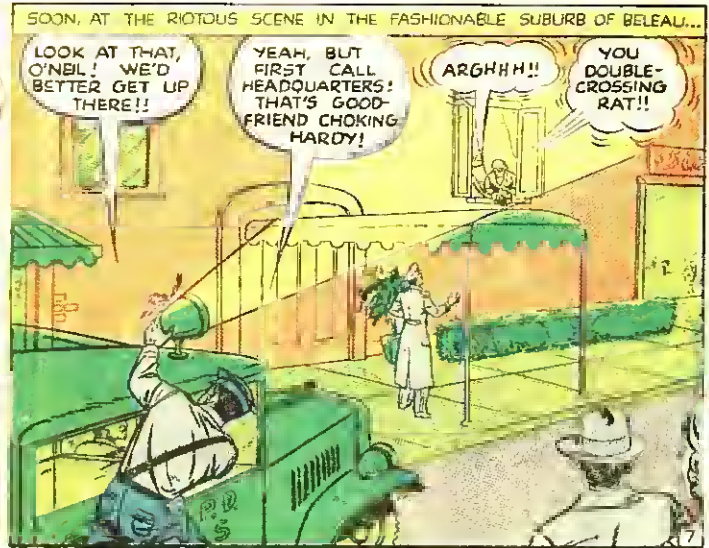
I WISH WE'D GOTTEN THOSE BIRDS, CHIEF! HARDY'S GOING TO STAY AWAY FROM THE BAYFRONT FOR A WHILE, AFTER WHAT HAPPENED TODAY!

THAT SNAKE JUST SLITHERS OUT OF OUR GRASP EVERY TIME WE REACH FOR HIM!



MORE TROUBLE, CHIEF—THAT GOODFRIEND GUY SKIPPED OUT OF THE HOSPITAL TEN MINUTES AGO, AND THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF COMPLAINTS FROM FOLKS OUT IN BELEAU! THEY SAY IT SOUNDS LIKE A RIOT IN ONE OF THE HOUSES!

MERINO, I WANT EVERY MAN ON THE FORCE TO GET ON GOODFRIEND'S TRAIL! AND JUST SEND ONE CAR OUT TO BELEAU!



SOON, AT THE RIOTOUS SCENE IN THE FASHIONABLE SUBURB OF BELEAU...

LOOK AT THAT, O'NEIL! WE'D BETTER GET UP THERE!!

YEAH, BUT FIRST CALL HEADQUARTERS! THAT'S GOODFRIEND CHOKING HARDY!

ARGHHH!!

YOU DOUBLE-CROSSING RAT!!

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OFFICER HOLTER CALLING HEAD-QUARTERS! WE'VE SPOTTED FRANK HARDY...835 GROVE STREET IN BELEAU! WE NEED HELP!

MERINO! WAIT! NOW I KNOW WHERE NELSON GOODFRIEND IS, SERGEANT! CHANGE ORDERS FOR ALL PATROL CARS! SEND 'EM TO THAT GROVE STREET ADDRESS!

IN THE HOUSE...

FOR GOSH SAKE, YOU BIG APE! PUT ME DOWN! NO - DON'T DROP ME! WE'LL BE BLOWN TO BITS! I'VE GOT A JAR OF NITRO IN MY POCKET!!

SENSING WHAT WAS TO HAPPEN, THE SLIMY HARDY MAKES A BREAK FOR IT - JUST IN THE NICK OF TIME...

BOOM!

WATCH IT, SARGE! LOOK OUT FOR THAT CAR! HE TRIED TO RUN YOU OVER!

NO WONDER! LOOK WHO'S IN THERE-HARDY! OPEN UP ON HIM! DON'T LET HIM SLIP AWAY!

HE HAD HIS CHANCE! GIVE HIM THE WORKS! LOOK OUT! HE'S GONNA CRASH!

CRACK!
CRACK!
CRACK!

KEEP BACK, CHIEF, SHE MAY BLOW UP!

SOMETIMES BEING A COP IS A CRAZY BUSINESS! FIRST YOU RISK YOUR LIFE GOING AFTER THESE TRAMPS, THEN YOU DO THE SAME TRYING TO SAVE THEM!

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GOODFRIEND IS DEAD, CHIEF, AND HARDY WILL LIVE TO BURN, BUT THIS LITTLE BOOK I FOUND ON HIM, NAMES EVERY MEMBER OF THEIR OUTFIT!

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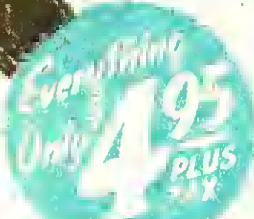
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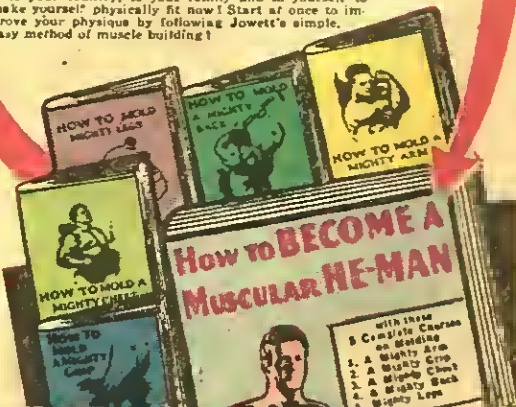


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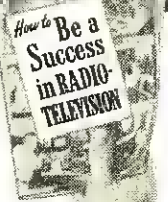
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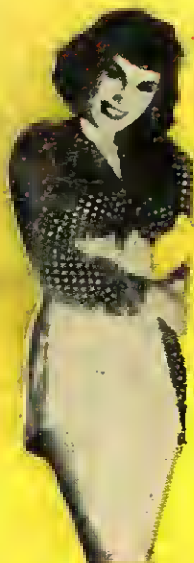
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